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LECTURE XI.

Phrenology is the foundation of a sound doctrine of Insanity—Points necessary to be known to the Public at large.

compiled by Alisa Smith

• NEWS •

Recycling helps trash old habits

graphic by Susie Lundgren

by Brennan Clarke

The key to reducing waste in Victoria involves a change in our consumer habits, not just tossing our tin cans into the curbside blue box with a sense of self-satisfaction.

Although awareness has increased, "waste reduction is the key," said Lorenzo Mele, head of the Capital Regional District recyling program.

"It's taken a few years for people to become comfortable with the idea of recycling. Now we're starting to work on waste reduction education."

"Through what we call 'precycling' we try to get consumers to ask themselves a series of questions before they even buy the product. Do they really need this product? Is the package environment-friendly?

"Is it available in glass or metal rather than plastic? Can it be purchased in bulk? And so on," said Mele.

"Our recycling program is about halfway to reaching its initial goal."

The CRD has set its sights on reducing the amount of waste dumped into Victoria's Hartland landfill by 50 per cent by 1995. Since the curbside recycling program began in 1989, Hartland has decreased its intake by about 23 per cent.

Of the 72,000 households in the four core municipalities - Oak Bay, Esquimalt, Saanich and Victoria - with access to the program, 85 to 90 per cent use the service regularly. In the past few years environmental awareness and participation have risen significantly -although it's only a fraction of what really needs to be done.

In 1991, the CRD implemented a pilot study on service expansion. At present only newspaper, glass, and tin cans are subject to curbside pick-up. The next phase, if implemented, would incorporate four or five new types of recycleable materials into the program.

Number one plastics-like pop bottles, and number two plastics-such as milk jugs, now going to the landfill would be recycled, as would corrugated cardboard. Mixed paper would also be covered by the expanded service. This includes boxboard, magazines, office paper, flyers and phonebooks.

Voluntary mass participation in waste reduction programs is ideal, but a social conscience is not always enough motivation. As a result, the CRD's 'user-pay' trash collection policy has met with considerable success.

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For the yearly fee of $120 each household is allowed to produce one can of waste per week for pick-up. If extra garbage is produced, extra costs are incurred. As always, money is the bottom line.

In the past, unrecyclable packaging was produced for marketing purposes. Once companies realize that 'green marketing' sells better than 'gloss and fashion,' industries will respond more quickly.

Ultimately it's up to individuals to understand what they're buying, why it's important to change their habits, and how it will reduce environmental damage.

For more information, call the recycling hotline at 360-3030.❑

Students left vulnerable

by Tanya Lloyd

For students, house insurance is not always a feasible investment, but without it, they must physically protect their belongings or risk theft.

Insurance for renters costs about $150 a year. This covers $25,000 worth of personal possessions - the minimum one can insure for and much more than most students' possessions are worth.

Also, each tenant in a shared house must buy insurance separately. For a house of five, that's $750.

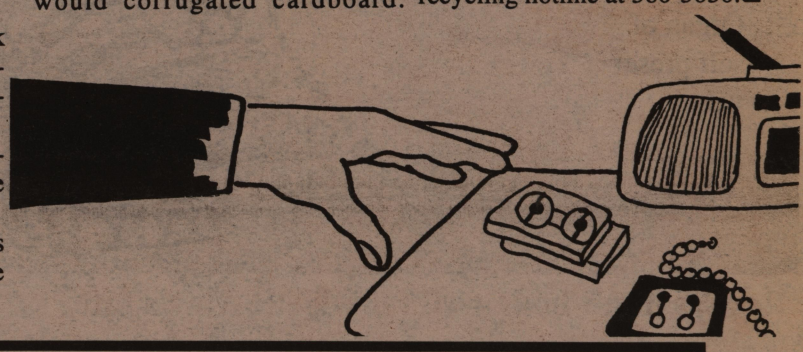
Without house insurance, students are left vulnerable to theft. Youth Officer Barry McLachlan of the Saanich police said a burglar can enter, search, and exit a house within five to 10 minutes.

McLachlan said, "To make a house looked lived in is primary." He suggested having mail picked up during vacations, inscribing one's driver's license number on belongings, and keeping table and dresser tops clear of valuables.

Students often forget to think of the Neighborhood Watch program as an inexpensive and successful protection method.

McLachlan said, "It's important for people to take an active role in crime prevention."

To get involved, call Ross Poulton at the Saanich Police Department.❑



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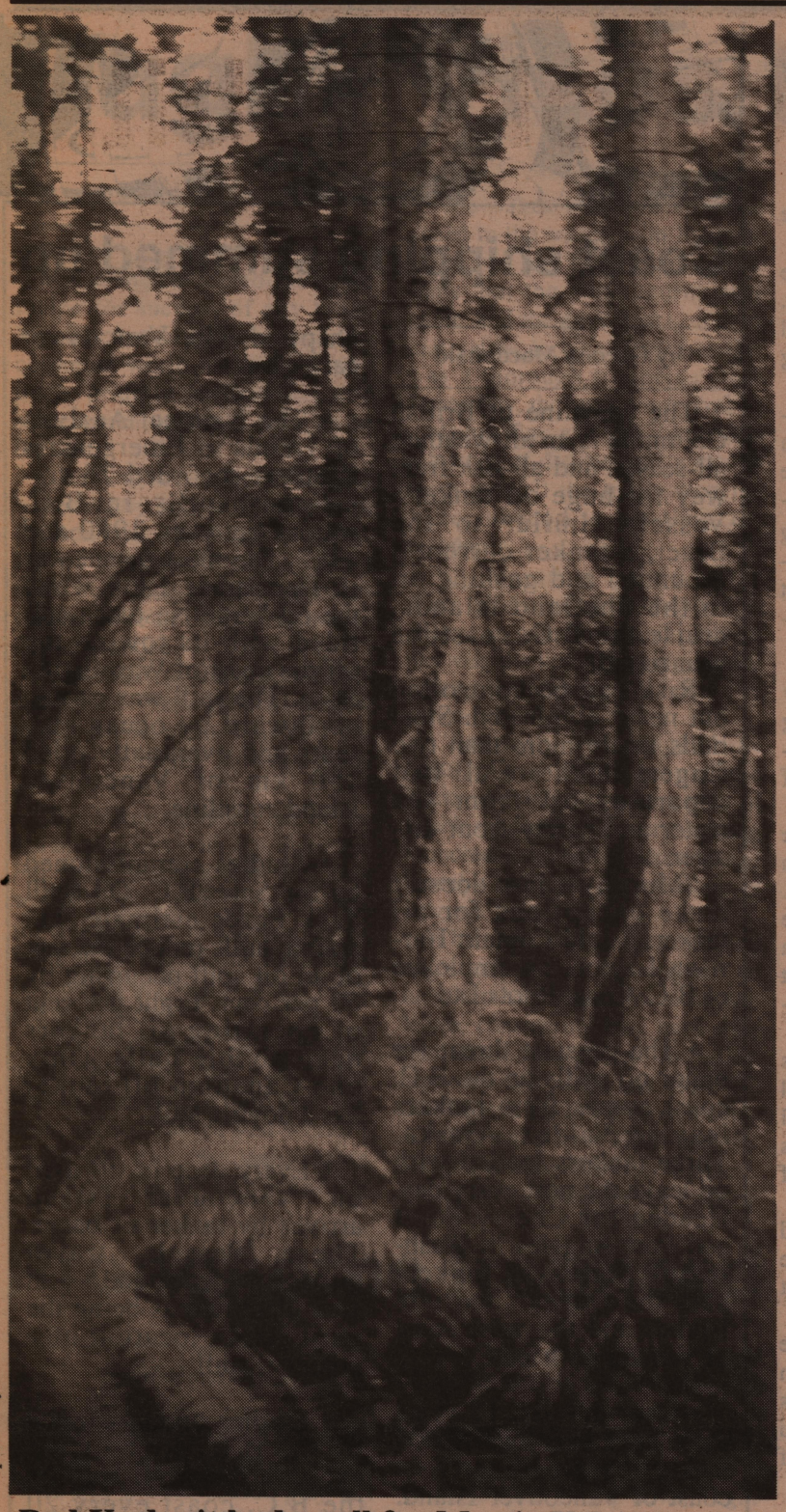


photo by Ana Torres

Red Xs don't bode well for Mystic Vale's fate.

Students defend Vale

by Alisa Smith

Around 50 large trees in Mystic Vale, the ravine property adjoining the campus near Cedar Hill Cross Road, were marked with ominous red Xs this week. Students are alarmed the area, now up for development, is slated to be logged.

The Vale, one of the few remaining large greenspaces on the Saanich peninsula, has captured the affection and loyalty of students dedicated to preserving its natural values in the face of chainsaw-hungry developers.

"We'll use civil disobedience."

"A number of students are prepared to physically intervene," said Bobby Arbess, a spokesperson for the Friends of Mystic Vale.

The UVic Students' Society voted unanimously to support the protection of Mystic Vale at their Jan. 11 board meeting.

Arbess said, "Our short term solution is to get into the developers' hair and show them there's going to be problems if the development is pushed through. We'll use civil disobedience."

The Friends of Mystic Vale has also begun a petition to save the area and has planned a poster campaign.

Dr. Alfred Fischer, vice president of administration, said the University had nothing to do with the red Xs on the trees, to his knowledge.

Byron Price, the owner of the portion of the Vale in question, said of the red Xs, "It's private property. Do students have any business being concerned with a neighbour's house?"

Stoneham Developments could not be reached for comment on the red markings.

The University has long been interested in the property, but it is worth millions of dollars - an expense the University administration feels they must justify beyond purely "natural" value.

UVic professor Richard Ring said the University has put together a committee of faculty members to report on possible "academic" values. There are presently no advisory positions open to students.

Ring said, "As a biologist ... [I'm] concerned about the reduction in habitat for birds and native flora.

"There are no pristine environments here anymore. But the area is a natural laboratory, courses could get involved to restore [its natural vegetation].

"But that may not be the University's vision. They see it as more of a buffer zone, [controlling] the movement of people."

Ring said, "Negotiations are going on but there is very little hard data right now to substantiate the claims of uniqueness. It's an intuitive interest mostly right now."

Fischer, head of the advisory committee, said the property has a "higher value after development," making it difficult for the University to compete financially.

He also said, "The University is sensitive to the 'public park' concern. As we are aware of that, those values would be preserved. Academic uses are not incompatible with the parkland aspect.

"But we're not in the business of going around buying up parkland. That's the function of the municipality."

However, if the University purchased the land, they do intend to leave it in its "natural state" - at least as natural as a second growth forest can be.

And in some ways, the area's value is dependent on this status, said Arbess. "Here's a healthy second growth that has naturally regenerated and is now showing some old growth features. It has snags, nurse logs, undergrowth, canopy, medicinal herbs.

"It's an ideal model to study natural processes. It is valuable to the future of the forestry industry. Why are we investing millions into forest biotechnology when we have here in our own backyard at UVic a living laboratory of natural forest?"

In the long term, Arbess said he wanted to see the land bought by the community - like the residents of Galiano Island bought out MacMillan Bloedel - as an ecological reserve.

Mystic Vale has been frequented by bald eagles, great horned owls, and western screech owls, and is carpeted with the potentially threatened Western Trillium herb.

The Vancouver Island Public Interest Research Group has a more complete species list at its office in the Student Union Building; the Friends of Mystic Vale have tours leaving the SUB Upper daily at noon. ❑

Oak Bay likes cash not liberty

by Janice Nicholls

Several bystanders cried as the Federal Express 747 departed from the Victoria Airport with Sealand orcas Nootka, Haida, and Haida's baby.

The whales began their journeys Jan. 7 to Texas and Florida, where they will perform unnatural acts and entertain the public daily for the American Sea Worlds.

Many British Columbian protesters, activists, and tourists still question why the whales couldn't be sent back to their original pods. But so far, nobody's given them a straight answer.

Aquarium employees justify the captivity of whales by saying they are educating people about whales and dolphins.

Al Bolz, a Sealand employee, said, "Places like Sealand show people what orcas are all about."

He said the orcas couldn't survive if they were released into the wild because whales are fed and looked after in captivity.

"It wouldn't be fair to let them back out into the wild."

Jean Randall, a member of Citizens for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, said she does not support the captivity of whales.

Orcas are social, charismatic mammals that eat, sleep, play and travel together in family groups, or pods. Randall compared capturing a whale to "going out and stealing somebody's baby."

She said captures are cruel and traumatic for orcas, and being exhibited in an aquarium 100 feet long and 70 feet wide will alter the life expectancy and behavior of a whale.

"Whales in the wild live anywhere from sixty to eighty years. In captivity, the longest living orca is in its early twenties."

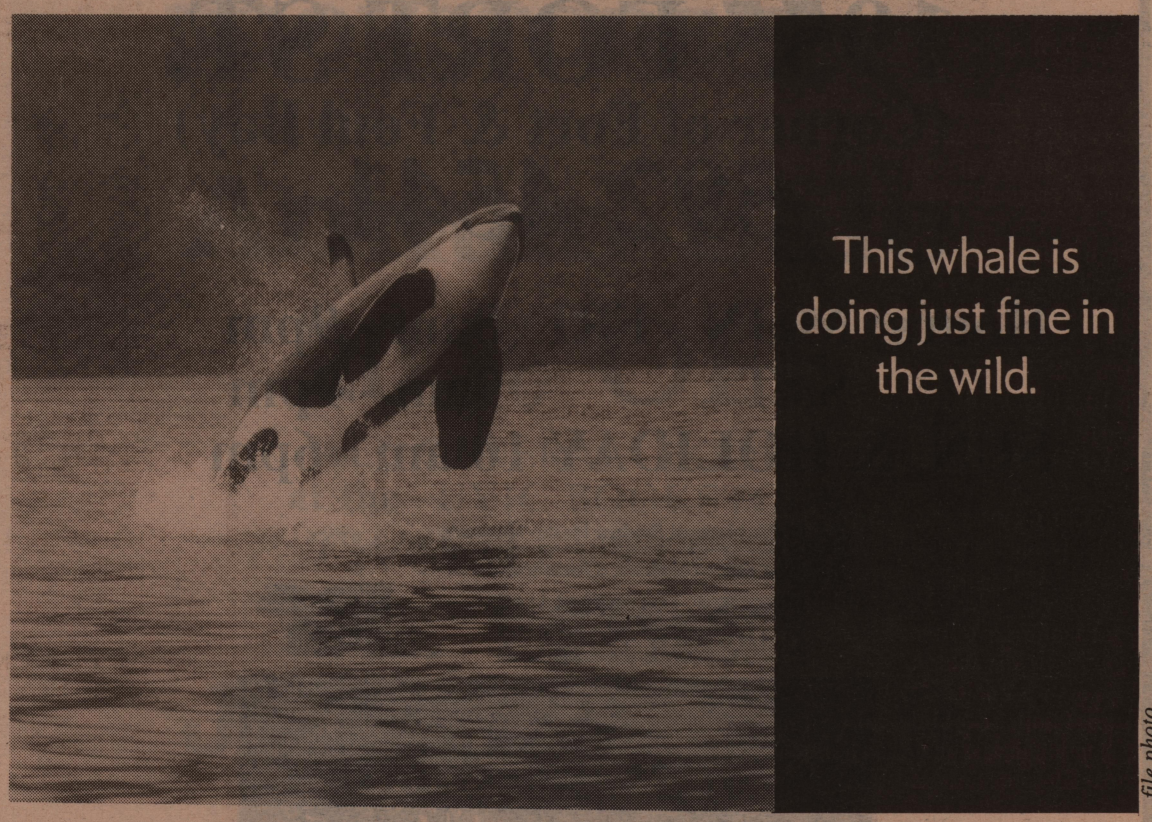
Randall said if Nootka, Haida, or her calf had an opportunity, any one of them could conform to their natural habitat.

She said in 1988, three imprisoned dolphins in the Caribbean were released into their natural surroundings as a scientific experiment and they've been living successfully ever since.

"After the dolphins had some veterinary care and they learned how to feed themselves again, they were fine."

Randall said Dr. Paul Sprong, an orca researcher at the Vancouver Aquarium, submitted a proposal to the Oak Bay council outlining what could be done to help the whales adapt into their natural habitats, but the Oak Bay Council didn't listen.

The question still remains as to why the Oak Bay Council made the decision they did.



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According to Bolt, the decision to sell the whales "had nothing to do with protesters or public opinion."

Could it be the estimated five million dollars that was offered to Sealand for the orcas? Bolt had no comment.

Sadly, the exploitation of orcas is a multi-million dollar industry which evidently is the underlying reason why the Canadian orcas will never be free again.❑

• NEWS •

Oil barges risky

by Gordon Macdonald

Despite the lack of regulations and inspections, B.C.'s government allows oil barges to travel through some of its most environmentally sensitive coastal areas. A barge accident in one of these areas could have disastrous results.

Government reports identify barges as posing a greater threat than tankers for a devastating oil spill. The government has not yet acted on its own recommendations to reduce the risk.

"I'm very disappointed in the lack of speed in improving barge quality. The improvements are easy to do and make for a huge increase in safety. The government just has to do it," said David Anderson, chair of the B.C. Citizens Advisory Committee on Oil Spill Prevention and Response.

Oil barges are huge tanks shaped like bathtubs that are towed behind a powerful tug. Favoured for their versatility and low operating costs, barges are used to deliver oil along the length of the west coast.

The question of oil barge safety was addressed in sections of a report to the B.C. government in 1989 as well as in sections of a federal report published in 1990.

Both reports recommended major changes to regulations and standards for oil barges on the west coast.

Barges, due to their small size, have traditionally escaped the rigorous international standards imposed on large tankers. Canada Coast Guard figures show only three per cent of barges are inspected yearly.

The Coast Guard, responsible for regulating the barge industry, has been criticized by provincial and federal reviews for moving slowly on the recommendations.

"The Committee is disappointed that to date so little has been done to mandate improved barge design, construction and operation.... A sense of urgency among those involved appears to be lacking," wrote Anderson in a report from the Citizens Advisory Committee in May 1992.

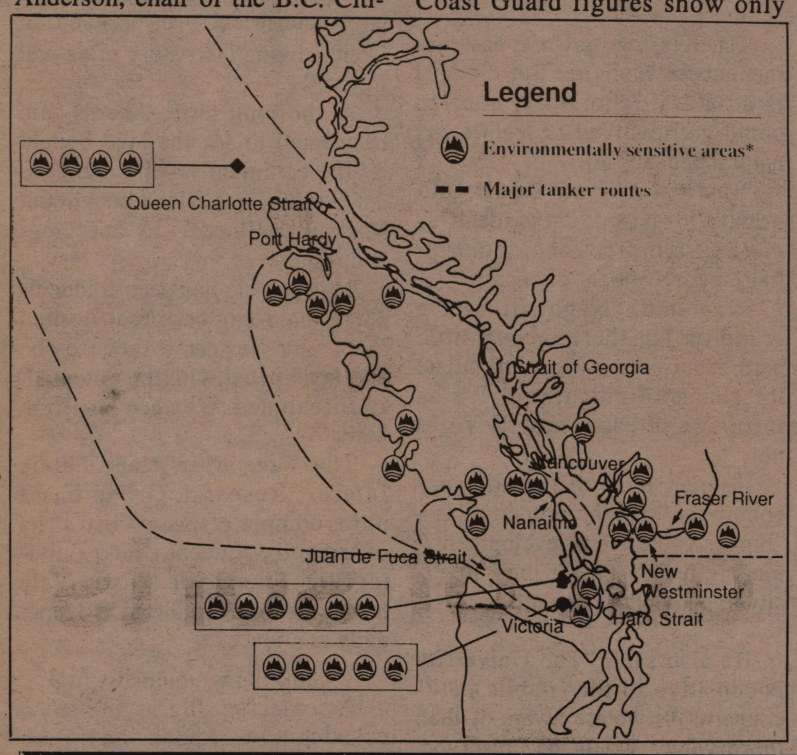
Coast Guard official Harry Martin said problems in following through with the recommendations are mainly a result of bureaucratic hurdles.

"It takes a long time to write regulations — especially when you are trying to satisfy everyone. Add to that the fact that everyone was tied up with the constitution last year. Anything legal that didn't have to do with the constitution just sat," said Martin.

A second reason for delay is cost. Both federal and provincial studies recommended that all oil barges be fitted with double hulls to act as outer shields in case of collision or grounding.

A report by Cove Dixon and Company in 1989 estimated the cost of upgrading the west coast barge fleet at $66 million.

"If you were to say to the industry on the west coast that on February 1, 1993 all your barges must be double hulled, then you would put that industry out of business," said Martin.❑



Coast shipping summed up

by Gordon Macdonald

The coastline of British Columbia is an all-weather, all-season and all-risk freeway for huge oil tankers. Vessels similar to the Braer, a tanker currently grounded and gushing oil in the Shetland Islands, cruise the B.C. coastline year round.

Risk can be controlled but never eliminated. Steel hulls rarely more than two fingers thick are all that separates oil from sea water and safety from disaster.

"Murphy's law doesn't make exceptions for oil tankers," said Captain Harrison Layton, an employee of B.C. Coast Pilots Ltd.

• The greatest threat for major oil spills on the B.C. coast comes from tankers leaving Valdez, Alaska. Three tankers loaded with oil leave the port every day. Headed for Cherry Point and Port Angeles in Washington State, the tankers pass the Queen Charlotte Islands and the west coast of Vancouver Island.

• Over the past 15 years there have been over 9,000 tanker voyages off the west coast of Vancouver Island. Over 4 million tonnes of petroleum products are shipped via Vancouver each year.

• The National Analysis of Trends in Emergencies Systems recorded 78 significant spills in B.C. waters between 1980 and 1987. The most recent was in December 1988 when the oil barge Nestucca collided with its towing tug off the coast of Washington State. The spill was carried northward by ocean currents and eventually oiled 150 km of Vancouver Island coastline.

• Studies commissioned by the Sates/B.C. Oil Spill Task Force estimate that double hulls reduce the risk of an oil spill occurring by 50 per cent. Eight per cent of operating oil tankers have double hulls. Only one Canadian oil tanker has a double hull.

• Every drop of oil used on Vancouver Island arrives by tanker or barge. These vessels travel through Puget Sound — an area identified as being the most likely location of a potential spill.

• Studies commissioned by the B.C. government expect a major oil spill on the B.C. coast every 20 years.❑

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• NEWS •

Hope falls with mercury

Only ten beds for homeless Victoria women

by Calinda Brown

As the temperature dropped in Victoria over Christmas the fortunate stayed inside and turned up the heat. But for a small and often ignored group in our city, the cold was not so easy to escape.

"They're afraid because the majority are men."

For homeless men in Victoria there are few options, and for women there is only one: Streetlink.

It's a red brick building on Store Street close to the Johnson Street bridge. Inside are a few of the things a homeless woman needs: a free meal, clean clothing, safety.

Streetlink provides up to 10 beds for women to stay overnight. The residents also have access to a private lounge, TV, bathrooms and laundry.

For those women choosing to stay outside, Streetlink provides a free meal for around 55 people every night. Occasionally, they can also provide a bag lunch.

There are many reasons a woman would not go to one of the other shelters.

Debbie Froemming, one of the Social Service workers at Streetlink, said the other residents are the primary reason.

"They're afraid because the majority are men."

For women who are often homeless to avoid an abusive situation, entering a shelter dominated by male residents is not a likely choice.

Some women are afraid of giving out the basic information the shelter needs, such as a date of birth and social insurance number. Although some might be afraid of the information getting to the police, many just don't want it to get out into the community.

Many of the women who come to Streetlink are psychiatric patients, said Megan Farquhar, another worker at Streetlink who paints a bleak picture of their situations.

"It's hard to get people into the Eric Martin Pavilion. We send them there, they get sent back and get sicker. We keep sending them, and eventually they are sick enough to be admitted."

Streetlink does provide some counselling. There is an alcohol and drug counselor and a mental health counselor, available everyday. But for other crises, such as rape, they do not have the resources.

"Anything that needs long-term counselling we refer out," Farquhar said.

Froemming said education is one of their priorities. AIDS posters cover the walls and there are free condoms and a used needle drop-off.

The workers have noticed an increase in the number of used needles left in beds.

"But we're being more cautious then we used to be," Froemming said.

Streetlink relies on donations of blankets and warm clothing for its residents. If you would like to donate anything please call Streetlink at 384-3634❑.

photo by Alisa Smith

Campus library still out of sorts

by Parminder Parmar and Shawn Hall

A representative of UVic's Students' Society said they want to try to help solve some of the neglect the UVic library chronically faces.

Dayna Christ, UVSS chair, said they are concerned about the chaotic state of the library - awash in unshelved books - and are trying to find ways the student body can help.

Christ said the UVSS is involved in library affairs because "funding is on our plate....This is a direct way for students to do something."

In their desire for new buildings, UVic administration has consistently ignored the need for increase in library funding.

Joan Sandilands, public services librarian at the McPherson, said eating and drinking are both problems because they create garbage and attract bugs. Drinks are especially bad as they can be spilled on books, making them sticky and attractive to vermin.

Sandilands said she didn't know of any bugs being found in the library, but said the potential for books being destroyed by them is very real.

Christ said she thinks eating is a problem because there isn't enough study space on campus, even in the cafeteria. The UVSS is starting an awareness drive about the problem.

Space for books is also limited, but the library staff tries to make room.

In the last two weeks the library was able to add more book shelves on the third floor as some walls were knocked down.

"Once we can shift the collection onto the new shelves [library staff] will be able to keep them in order," said Sandilands. "But there is no question that we are short of shelving space."

They also want to develop receptacles for students to drop off books instead of leaving them anywhere.

"A new library building would be really good, but that's probably 10 years down the road," said Sandilands. Until then, they will start storing away some of their rarely used materials to make space.

On top of the lack of space for the current collection, the library often can't afford the recent books students need, or only have one copy, setting students into competition over scarce resources.

"I think the problem is not so much underfunding as the skyrocketing cost of books and periodicals," said Sandilands.

In response, the UVSS has proposed to free up aquisition funding from the grad class for new journals, perhaps starting an endowment fund for periodical aquisition.❑

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• OPINION •

GUEST EDITORIAL

Dec. 3 issue sexist, murderous in intent

by Justin Kalef

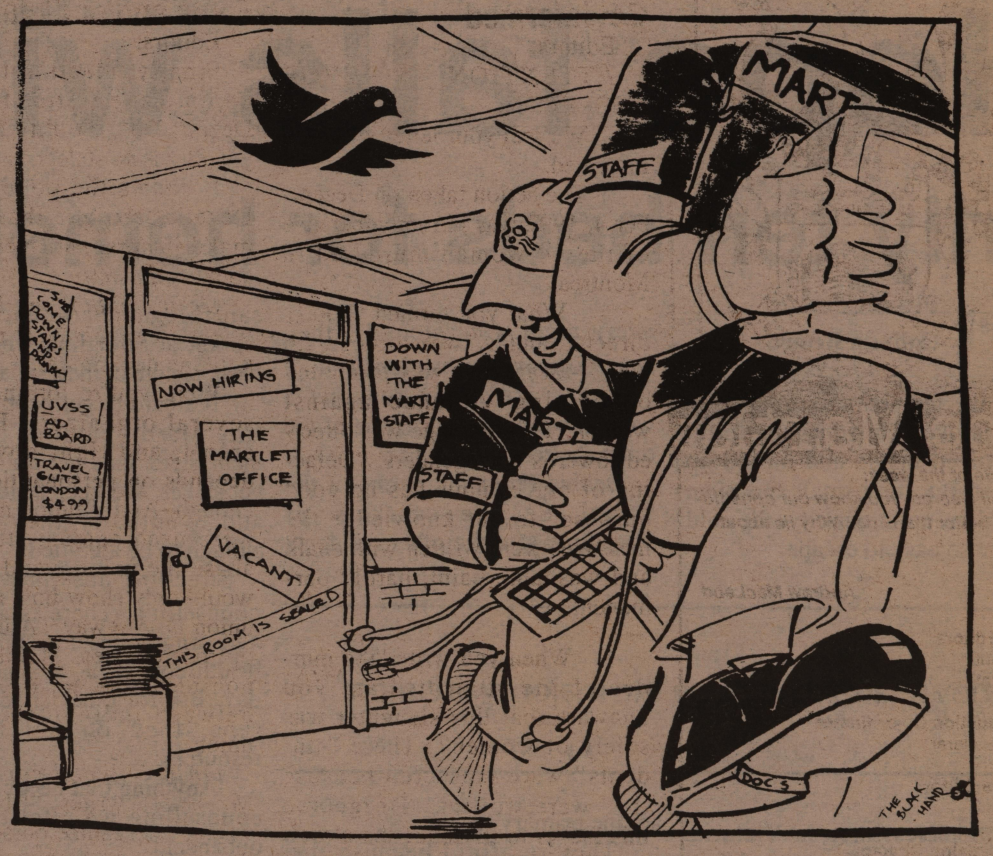
It would pointless to try to count the number of times you managed, in the the Dec. 3 "Women's Issue" of the *Martlet,* to insult, offend, demean, stereotype, misrepresent and threaten men. Not only do infantile, ridiculous slogans appear at the head of each page (eg. "War is menstruation envy!") followed by slanted reports on society, often reaching extreme conclusions such as total sexual segregation; but you have even gone so far as to include a "Wimmin's Only Warrior Guide (Guerilla Version)" in your central pages. To begin with, both the title of this "guide" and its covering illustration of an armed woman obviously fly in the face of your repeated ideas that warfare and violence are "male" phenomenae. But much more importantly, the savage picture and title, together with the assertion in the "guide" that "Dead Men Don't Whine" and many other passages (eg. "I'm willing to use any means ... and I do mean any means") leave the reader with little doubt as to the violent, hateful and even murderous "means" you seem to advocate for social change.

I have personally been to the *Martlet* office three times to speak with different staff members about the contents of this issue. I did not wish, even after reading the spiteful pages of your publication, to jump to the conclusion that the *Martlet*, whose dedication to topics of equal rights to the exclusion of almost all else has long been a cause for complaint and annoyance among the student body, would suddenly switch its stance and begin spewing sexist propaganda. What I heard on my first visit was a mish-mash of irrelevant statistics and the comment that it was none of my business to read the "Wimmins Only" section of my student paper (a curious remark considering that this same section was pinned to the bulletin board outside the *Martlet* office!). On the second time, like the first and third, it was admitted that the parallel quote "Dead Women Don't Whine" would not be printed on the grounds of its sexism, and that the *Martlet* sees no problem with having a double standard.

Finally, on the third time, I spoke with a representative of the women's caucus who defended the entire issue, saying that it was meant to "represent a broad cross-section of women's views"; that it was necessary to do this in light of all the "male" newspapers in the world; and lastly that "the word 'sexism' applies to discrimination against women only."

None of the women I have spoken with about this issue has felt that her views are represented in any way by the inane invective and journalistic slovenliness of your writers. Also, the so-called 'male' newspapers are now so closely scrutinized for every slight innuendo that even one unintentional double-entendre is sufficient to have an entire article removed from print, or worse. To participate in a movement which so restricts all journalists, and then to turn around and ruthlessly slap men in the face while flouting the very rules which supposedly justify your existence as writers is childish and intolerable. In private you may hold what views you wish (and judging from what you see fit to publish, who knows what these may be?) but to impose your sexist literature upon the public cannot, should not, and will not be accepted. The fact that this is a case of reverse discrimination does not make it any less serious. On the contrary, your wish to pass it off as a joke just because it doesn't serve the needs of your sex in particular is grounds for seriously doubting your devotion to your purported causes. It is possible that you are equally offended, as you say, by *Playboy* magazine, as I am by the *Martlet.* But *Playboy*'s centrefolds are not openly displayed on bulletin boards, nor is that magazine paid for by mandatory student fees. Even if the editors do not support the "Dead men..." campaign, they of all people should know that such symbols of hatred, like the swastika, cannot be replicated sympathetically without being sexist or racist in the reproduction. I am no more amazed by your apparent ignorance of the laws governing sexual discrimination and hate literature than by the fact that you brazenly insult the intelligence of your readers with your obnoxious assortment of mob-like chants, puerile dogma, and chaotic graffiti without considering that that same audience, being university students, are most apt to perceive the countless flaws in your reasoning and blatant inaccuracies in what can only be termed your vulgar caricatures of men in general.

It is because of all this; because of your multiple insults against me, against the student body, against those of us still striving for sexual equality, and against the male sex as a whole, that I have written this. And it is for these reasons also that, whereas so many are calling for the resignation of the entire *Martlet* staff, and despite the impossibility of any true vindication for these outrages, I must say once more that I will be satisfied with a simple apology. I hope that expressing my feelings in writing demonstrates my sincerity, and that your much-overdue apology is forthcoming.❑



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Jesus not Intolerant

Editors:

To Matt Wenger, re: Christians Should Starve

Matt, I feel sorry for you, having a picture of Christianity as another "intolerant, exclusive religious group" that would be better off dead and out of the way. Yes, I agree that many people have abused the Christian name, making it look like a naive world view reserved for the bigots. May I present to you another side of Christianity. Its not a church, its not a religion; it is a relationship with a man, Jesus Christ. Intolerant? No, He even defended a prostitute, and He did so against the religious bigots of his day.

Is Christianity exclusive? Well, yes, if you mean are they committed to the truth (and that's not a bad thing, especially in a world full of lies). Intolerant? Yes, of other gods — not of people. The hard truth is, Jesus would have forgiven and accepted Hitler had he sincerely asked for it, even in his last hour of life.

Christ was a man of compassion. He came to seek and to save that which was lost, not to throw people into hell. If you knew there was only one way home, how would you feel if people called you exclusive?

Ryan Dahl

Rape is not nothing

Editors:

To Ryan Dahl, in response to his reply to Jody Gibson.

"If you are raped and conceive life some day, you will have an opporunity to fulfil the greatest calling a follower of Christ could ever have..."

What kind of bullshit is that!? As if rape were nothing at all! Well let me tell you something Ryan, it IS a big deal!! I will explain to you why a woman under such circumstances would choose to have an abortion, since you are abviously too stuck in your narrow little mind to figure it out for yourself. What kind of life do you think that child would lead? Every time it's mother looked at it all she could see is the man who raped her! She could never put the tragedy behind her because the child would be there every day to remind her. She couldn't love a child like that. How fair would that be to an innocent child?

Jesus says "Love your neighbor as you love yourself" but a woman finds it hard enough to love herself after such a traumatic experience much less love the result of the assault.

And yes, as a matter of fact, I do believe in God. But my God has no gender and doesn't discriminate. My God loves me and knows that I'm doing my best to struggle through this life, that's my right, and I don't need people like you making such a difficult decision even harder!

Alyssa Dye

Sewage kept quiet

Editors:

Regarding the NOV. 26 editorial on the lack of voter turnout for

the sewage referendum . . .

Perhaps the CRD didn't want a large turnout, perhaps they felt

that certain projects had a better chance of being passed or

rejected if the public was not informed on their eligibility to

vote.

At 10:00AM on the day of the vote I called the CRD "hotline" to

determine my eligibility as it was unclear from newspaper

publications. I was told that eligible voters are 19 years of age

or older, a renter or property owner and have lived in this area

for at least three months. I'm not a renter or a property owner and

so could not vote according to the CRD.

At 6:30PM the CRD "hotline" repeated that I was not eligible

dispite the fact that I was on the voters list as my father had

seen while he was voting. Subsequently two other "non-eligible"

residents and I cast our vote. Being a property owner or renter was

not necessary and no amount of yelling would enlighten the thoughts

of the CRD phone person -she was following her instructions.

I would like to know how many people in similar situations were

denied their right to vote because of the CRD's ineptness,

stupidity, or hidden agenda.

Ken Lord

Church blocks path

Editors:

Public Right of Way at Trent Street and Bowker Creek is for Walkers and Cyclists, Not Conversion to Private Property.

At Trent Street and Bowker Creek a religious school has illegally occupied and put a fence across public right of way. (The misuse was quietly arranged behind closed doors without Saanich Council even introducing, let alone adopting a bylaw of authorization.)

The right of way is required to meet the present and future needs of walkers and cycle users, (especially the pressing need for routes with the fewest motorists and with the least dust, gas and noise pollution. Trent is important in this respect because drivers cannot motor from one end to the other of it. Trent also links Dean Avenue and Lee Avenue; both of which have relatively few motorists compared to thoroughfares. The route through Trent includes some other roads and places such as UVic, the Lansdowne Campus of Comosun College, Jubilee and Fairfield are reached via it.)

Protect the rights of pedestrians and bicycle riders.

Write to the Mayor and Council of Saanich (770 Vernon Avenue, Victoria, B.C. V8X 2W7) and insist that the politicians fulfill their responsibility to:

1. remove the illegal fence without further delay;

2. keep the full right of way as such (and move the trespassing basketball court/sports field off right-of-way area.)

Keith Gibbens

• OPINION •

The Martlet

Quote of the week:
"Well George, you know our constitution better than I do...Why lie about it?"

Andrew MacLeod

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Get informed

Editors:

ATTENTION TREVOR EGGLETON:

We feel your letter was misinformed.

The action taken on December 4, 1992 was in rememberance of the 14 women murdered in Montreal.

What you termed "poorly directed anger" was a tool with which awareness was promoted concerning violence against women. This message was directed towards both genders. "Defacing of our campus has no good purpose" to our knowledge the messages were written with chalk and washable paint, hardly permanent.

When you write "the murder of the students" are you unaware that this slaughter was solely of women? These "students" were murdered because they were women. To ignore this fact is to trivialize the atrocity. This campaign was one of education, and not to be confused with direct action eg. overthrowing the governnment.

In no message that we saw was 'man' depicted as the enemy, it was patriarchal social structure and the oppressive traditional roles which were being contested. The campaign was not speaking for any certain group, but to all who would come into contact with the messages. Clearly an example of what you would call "humanism", a state which will never come into existence until all people are free to choose their future.

Change and learning in "appropriate" settings will not take place until society has opened it's eyes and truly seen the cost of tolerating violence against women.

We invite you, and anyone who wishes to become more informed on issues concerning violence against women to drop into the women's centre. Questions welcome.

Jacqueline Crummey
Catherine Nixon
Jane Calder
Tara Mitchell
Kyla Hubbard

Fools and/or dictators

Editors:

Finally, reaction to the TAs union drive (letter from Mike Dezell, Dec. 3). Pity the form—yawn!—is so stale.

It shows the poverty of Mr. Dezell's critique that he has to make it personal. Nevertheless, some comments...

On individualism: Mr. Dezell writes, "I have a great relationship with my department..."

Well, you're fortunate. So are several organizers. But others aren't, and right now fairness depends on personalities. It's not enough. And if union membership *were* used against students (an abuse the union could correct) it would only show how necessary a union is. Anyway TA unions have opt-out clauses. Membership, or non-membership, is completely between individuals and their union.

On privileged complacency: Mr. Dezell writes, "I believe it is wrong to organize ourselves when the real goal of such organization is to maintain our very privileged place in this campus..."

Look at the economics. Tenured academia is saturated. Many students who stay in the system will become sessionals, part of (there's no better word) the new proletariat of the learning industry. Under their genteel facade, universities preserve some of the crummiest labour practices around.

(Anyway, think about that. *You've* got a sweetheart deal, but it's wrong for others who want to maintain *theirs*.)

On paternalism and ambition: Mr. Dezell claims organizers think they know best what's best for people, and really just want power.

Blah blah blah. Suggesting (collective) action, and seeing if anyone agrees, isn't "paternal," but something to do with (don't laugh, Mike) democracy. And "political power"? Get serious. Anyone who knows politics, or unions, knows what a laugh *that* is. Myself, I'm a master's student and should be done soon. I won't take *any* exec job. I been there before.

Aha (sez Mike), what's in it for you?

I'd like to see better conditions. Helping bring them would be satisfying, and anyway I might stick around, or come back sometime. But really the question is ideological—no, dishonest.

It's the old jive—people are just short-sighted greedheads, those claiming otherwise are fools and/or dictators. Partisans of the *status quo*, and fellow-travellers who toady along in their sidecars, find this line convenient. But some others—neither fools nor liars—think differently, and want alternatives to Mr. Dezell's dreary I'm-all-right-Jackism.

Bob Beck

P.S. That's *Brother* Bob to you, Mike. Kick it over and have a nice day.

High density destruction

Editors:

Urgent action is required to prevent destruction of Mystic Vale, a beautiful wooded ravine adjacent to the UVic campus. Second-growth douglas fir, broadleaf maple and Pacific Yew trees harbouring a vital reservoir of native vegetation and urban wildlife, including mating populations of Great-horned owls, are under immediate threat, pending a court decision which could allow Stoneham Developers to clearcut and fill the ravine for a high-density housing development. The trees have been marked with red spray-painted x's indicating the urgency of the situation. Most students are not even aware that such a natural refuge of wild forest, streams and pond exists within five minutes walk from the SUB.

After all is said and done, after the letters and the legal pleas, after the educating and the lobbying, direct resistance as a ~~last~~ resort becomes part of the uncalculated cost of doing business that developers will have to bear. As the trees have no means of self-defense, then it becomes the responsibility of caring people to fill that niche. As part of the environment, it is our self-defense, too.

As out local native green spaces are cut, paved, filled and developed for the Commonwealth games and unaffordable housing schemes, we must ask: "Wealth for whom?" There's no replacing the environmental and spiritual riches of the dwindling natural heritage of our city, wordly renowned for its natural quality.

It's time to act. Visit Mystic Vale. Empower yourselves to make a difference in what really matters to you. Pay your rent for living on this miraculously beautiful planet.

Join us, the Friends of Mystic Vale. Our info table is in the SUB every Wednesday from 11:30-2:30; or call Bobby at 595-6152 or Robyn at 383-2268 to find out how to get involved in actively trying to keep the chainsaws out of Mystic Vale.

For the Earth,
Bobby Arbess

Unlimited potential

Editors:

I would like to share an inspiring and hope-filled message for the New Year (1993) that was delivered by the international Ambassador of Peace, Sri Chinmoy.

God is dreaming,
Newness singing,
Oneness blossoming,
Fullness dancing.

Hope no more gropes.
Life without slopes.
Splendid depths and heights
Transform bondage-nights.

-Sri Chinmoy

This message promises that 1993 will be a year in which great in-roads will be made in humanity's quest for personal and global peace, freedom and fulfillment.

Sri Chinmoy is a man that has dedicated his life to the pursuit of world harmony and to the fulfillment of the unlimited potential of the human spirit. In honor of his efforts, hundreds of significant sites throughout the world have been dedicated in his name to the goals of peace and goodwill amongst all peoples of all nations. In 1992, both Ottawa and Victoria were proclaimed Sri Chinmoy International Peace Capitals, and Niagara Falls were dedicated as S.C. International Peace Falls.

Please accept our deepest and sincerest heart-felt Best Wishes for the coming New Year!

T. Mezei
Victoria Sri Chinmoy Centre

• OPINION •

Frat Good

Editors:

I am writing on behalf of the University of Victoria Chapter of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, to protest against the stereotypes put forward by Mr. Kelly Greenwell in his letter to the Times-Colonist on December 7.

Fraternities have existed at the University of Victoria since 1988 when Phi Delta Theta installed the BC Beta Chapter; Delta Upsilon joined the fraternity system on campus by setting up a colony in 1990. However, since 1988 the leaders of the University of Victoria Student Society, (formerly the UVIC AMS), have attempted to "protect" the students whom they claim to represent by denying us any form of recognition. Mr. Greenwell and others like him, have continually used the negative stereotypes of fraternities popularized by the cinema, in order to justify their position. In place of these sterotypes, I would like to offer a few facts about fraternities at the University of Victoria.

Mr. Greenwell makes an objection to the hazing of fraternity initiates. It is now the policy of all major fraternities in North America that hazing will not be permitted, and that any evidence of a chapter participating in these activities will result in their suspension. As President and former Pledge Master of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity here, I can assure you that fraternities at our campus have been extremely careful to never violate this principle.

Since 1988, fraternities have participated in a large number of community service events similar to the one which was recently publicized. Projects have included: sponsoring the Red Cross Blood Donor Clinic on campus since 1988, volunteer work at the Mustard Seed food bank, volunteer work for the Canadian Cancer Society, the building of trails at the Swan Lake Nature Preserve, and the hosting of a date rape seminar on campus.

While leaders of the Student Society claim to represent all students, they are elected by less than 6% of the student population. They attempt to censor those activities which they do not personally approve of, denying students of an experience that they should all be entitled to. Despite the fact that we have been denied recognition we have not only survived, but have grown in numbers, indicating that there is a demand for the system that we offer.

During this same time period, there has never been a single negative incident with fraternities at the University. Fraternities have been a positive contributor to both campus life, as well as the community as a whole. It is perhaps ironic that it was publicity for a community service event that prompted Mr. Greenwell to tell Victoria what a horror fraternities are. Despite the efforts of the UVSS, fraternities will continue to exist and grow at the University of Victoria in response to the demand for an organization that offers an opportunity for unique friendships, and participation in events on and off campus.

Darren Redies
President
University of Victoria Chapter (BC Beta)
Phi Delta Theta Fraternity

Strong Basketball

Editors:

Ms. Van Elslande, thank you for your interest in the University of Victoria Vikes Women's Basketball Program. Over the last two years, the Department of Athletics and Recreational Services has addressed and continues to address concerns such as yours.

With regard to prime time scheduling allocation for the Women Vikes, our department administration has recently met with the coaches to review the possibilities. The issue will be presented to our regional association at their annual meeting in May, for discussion and action.

The helpers at the men's and women's benches during basketball games play an important role at UVic events. Each volunteer is responsible for maintaining the benches in an orderly fashion to ensure the safetly of the students and coaches. These young people are involved with basketball at local elementary schools and have expressed interest in assisting with Vikes basketball programs. Both girls and boys assist with this activity. Since there is a perception that it is offensive, it will be discontinued. The half-time entertainment has been expanded over past years. Our event staff is constantly searching out new groups and formats. Shows are scheduled at games during the remainder of the basketball season and amateur basketball nights are planned (mini-games are scheduled for January 8-9 and 29th).

You may not be aware that there are a number of programs that our department has undertaken during the past two years to highlight the women's program. The University of Victoria teams are now called the Vikes (the women's teams are no longer called the Vikettes). For the first time in university history the the University of Victoria will be hosting the 1993 CIAU Women's Basketball Championship on March 12-14 and hopefully our women's team will be featured on a prime time TSN broadcast. Our women's basketball program is now part of the world renowned Saanich Police Player Card Program which is a first in sport in Canada. This program profiles Vikes Basketball, the Saanich Police Community Program and is focused at the Saanich junior high schools. As you can see, our Department of Athletics and Recreational Services is attempting to address the women's issue throught the processes that are available to them. Progress in some areas may be faster than others but in all likelihood the department is more progressive than many of their cohorts in Canada.

Thank you for you interest in the University

Dr. Strong

Reply worth money

Editors:

BIOLOGY IS NOT DESTINY!

Restrained clarification for Ms. Scott et al:

1. The main reason why women suffer emotional pain from abortions is because people like you keep telling them that they DESERVE to suffer.

2. We have no single biological identity. Ask any gay or bisexual or celibate person. Sexual identity is established by complex cultural and historical and social and ideological (etc) influences. Take Women's Studies 200 for more information.

3. So if women are by nature destined to become mothers, does that mean that men have the right to enforce this on unwilling, "unnatural" women? Your view, that women by nature must become mothers, is dubious because it justifies marital rape.

4. I know that feminist discourse is diverse and that its views vary. The feminism I support is the feminism that empowers people to make their own choices about their own lives. Feminism, as I see it, recognizes that sexist political/social pressures affect our ways of seeing ourselves. Feminist discourse challenges biological-determinism, and homophobia: all of which, in the end, privilege straight male supremacy by seeking to control women's and gay men's bodies.

5. Remember that the so-called Feminists for Life group didn't speak up to denounce or resist the trashing of the rape shield law. Small "feminist" comfort to the tens of thousands of non-virgin women who are raped each year in this country. I won't suppose that you actually endorsed their nonaction.

6. You are right. There is no simple solution to ending rape. But by encouraging men to support women's rights to decide their own fate, FOR THEMSELVES, men are challenging sexism. This is a progressive step which IS linked to the struggle to end rape.

7. I am not "Pro-abortion". When will you arrogant (ignorant!) people stop trying to simplify the complexities of the abortion rights movement? I advocate men's acceptance of women's rights to CHOOSE. There is a very big difference.

8. I will not waste my literary energy on you anymore. My next response to your self-referential, complacent bullshit will take the form of a ten-dollar donation to CARAL (Canadian Abortion Rights Action League) in your name.

Adam Budd
Men's Network for Change

Latent Paranoia

Editors:

I was amazed with your recent editorial (Thursday Nov. 26) regarding the local referendum. The level of misinformation was incredible. It seems that the Editorial staff at the *Martlet* take their lead on writing style from Gord Hunter of the *Times-Colonist.*

With regards to your question about shoreline protection. The problem is longstanding and well documented. To help the Editorial staff I will try to clarify it: try and imagine Dallas Road sliding quietly into the ocean.

With respect to sewage treatment, as an environmentalist, I voted for secondary treatment on principle. However, all the scientific facts indicate that our current level of sewage causes NO discernible effects 400 meters away from the outfall. Put simply, Victoria does not have heavy industry. Our sewage is made up of human and animal waste (better known as fertilizer to farming types). Throught source controls at major polluters like UVic our waste stream can be made harmless. Realistically, the community must take steps towards further treatment for economic and philosophical reasons but that is already in the works.

Finally your comments on the police station show latent paranoia. The downtown police and fire facilities were built before earthquake regulations. Victoria is in an earthquake zone. A relatively minor earthquake could well destroy both the police statin and the James Bay fire station. Who would you suggest we turn to then to put out the fires and help the injured? The question was not about skateboarders but human lives.

Blair King

Heated Agreement

Editors:

First: praise, an issue devoted to an "interest group" in high proportion at UVIC—Women, Bravo!

To correct misconceptions. Mr. Harrower, I don't think genitalia are disgusting, but a beautiful part of our bodies; I'm not ashamed of them. I was disgusted by their exploitive misuse to draw attention to the *Martlet.*

My letter mention no group negatively or at all and I don't "hate" any group. You are under Mr. Young's misconception that I'm anti-queer. I'm not, I would have stated it. I wrote exercising that precise, valued, democratic right to dialogue. I didn't do so sooner because the paper may not have represented my opinion, but why should it? Only when the *Martlet* disobeyed it's own stated "non sexist" policy, printing an article showing prostitution in a positive light (after the AIDS awareness issue) did I have to object.

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• NEWS •

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Wax Worm Fritters with Plum Sauce
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Thai Water Bug and Mango Dip

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Mediterranean Pasta
Melange of Vegetable Ragu
Mesclun Salad with Balsamic Vinegar
Assorted Seasoned and Cricket Breads with Butter

DESSERT
Lemon Squares
Chocolate Cricket Torte
Mini Cannoli
Peach Clafouti
Assorted Insect Sugar Cookies
Coffee and Tea Service

Bugs fodder for future

by Cheryl Lindberg

For most of us, the only consumption of insects we experience involves inadvertently encountering them at high velocity on a bicycle, with mouths open.

For Dr. Richard Ring, an entomologist in the University's biology department, consuming insects is a culinary experience equivalent to a Japanese sushi bar.

Indeed, Ring attributes western society's reluctance to redefine so-called "creepy-crawlies" as an incredibly valid source of nutrition to simple ignorance.

"We think we're such an enlightened society," he said, "but we have so many prejudices."

A member of the Food Insects Society, Ring produced their July, 1992 newsletter regarding the 100th Anniversary Dinner of the New York Entomology Society.

This elite affair, held in the "paneled Tudor splendor of the Explorers Club in Manhattan," attracted hordes of media, including CNN.

Let's just say, there were supposed to be flies in the soup.

The overwhelming perception that insects are "hairy, fast, small, elusive, and that some locate on our own bodies," Ring said, blinds us to their nutritional potential.

Generally, an insect fed on plant material is a rich source of protein and essential fatty acids. As for the indigestible exoskeleton, Ring added "modern refined diets like a little roughage anyways."

In regards to pesticides, Ring said insects may, like plant foods, contain some traces. Obviously, any great amount would kill the insect before the human frying pan. In any case, Ring said one could gather insects from an assured organic location.

As one may guess, insect cultivation is a simple procedure involving only the appropriate temperature and foodstuffs. Ring said there is potential for an "organic industry of insect producers."

In fact, the process is so simple, individual basement enterprises are entirely possible.

Ring, for one, has an ongoing, fresh supply of the delicate, inch-long, grain-feeding larvae known as "mealworms." Literally.

He also has a frying pan and a quantity of virgin olive oil and garlic on hand in his Cunningham office.

Ring proceeded to saute a handful of mealworms in hot oil, adjusting the bunsen burner flame until they crackled in a not unappetizing manner.

Perhaps sensing my discomposure, he continued a light banter, exploring the possibilities of serving toasted mealworms in pubs, instead of peanuts.

The verdict after three of these innovative delicacies? They taste slightly nutty, reminiscent of soggy pumpkin seeds.

Opinions of connoisseurs throughout the room included:

"It absorbs flavours - like tofu!"

"Would Kellogg's be interested in this?"

"Wouldn't these go well as salad crunchies?"

All of Ring's entomology classes are provided with a similar opportunity.

And, oh yes, mealworms are high in cholesterol...❑

BoD language: saving Vale, collecting debts

by Andrew MacLeod

In their Jan. 11 meeting the UVic Students' Society Board of Directors talked about saving wildlife, encouraging votes, and collecting debts.

The Board of Directors unanimously passed a motion to support the complete protection of Mystic Vale.

Director Janine Ede said this wild area close to UVic contains nesting owls, bald eagles, and a forest unique to this part of Vancouver Island. Several of the trees were marked recently with red Xs, as if they were to be cut.

The University is currently negotiating for the land with the 'developer', who wants market value for it, which UVic says it cannot afford.

During question period eco-warrior, Bobby Arbess, said he would like to see the BoD put pressure on administration to approach the Capital Regional District and Saanich Council to share the cost of purchasing the land.

Otherwise, he said the Friends of Mystic Vale are prepared to take direct action.

David Bate, student representative on the Board of Governors, made a presentation to the BoD on the "abysmal" voter turnout for BoG and Senate elections.

Last spring only 706 people voted, out of 15,324 eligible voters.

Bate called increased marketing, aligning student society and administration elections, increasing the number of polling stations and election days, and putting controversial referendum questions on the ballot, "effective but short term bandaid remedies to a larger systemic problem."

A more long-term method of forcing students to exercise their democratic right, which Bate said he supports, is to collect a ten dollar voting fee at the start of the year.

This fee would be returned when students vote, or if they asked for it back, in the same way that the Vancouver Island Public Interest Research Group returns fees.

This is currently being suggested only for Senate and BoG elections, but Bate said it could be extended to the UVSS.

Any surplus in fees not reclaimed would be used to increase student financial aid.

Director Cameron St. John brought forward a motion stating: "The UVSS Policy Manual contain only policy relating directly to students as a group, solely because they are students."

Director Matt Pollard said he found it ironic St. John would want to put "this kind of iron curtain around so-called student issues."

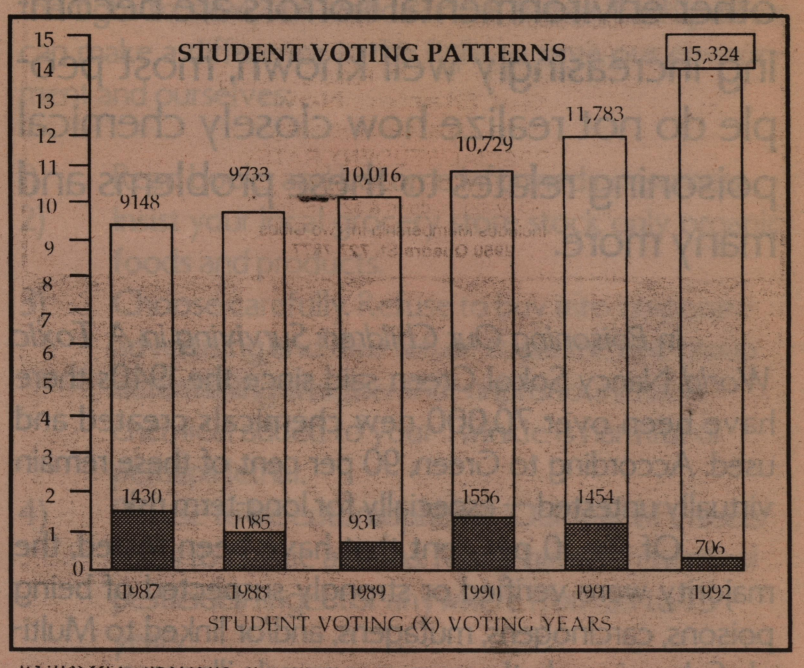
Other directors voiced their concerns as well, and the motion was defeated nine to two.

All other motions were tabled and referred into the abyss except for a motion to draft a letter to the *Times-Colonist* noting Elizabeth Cull's office has had a large debt for handbook advertising still outstanding.

The letter was to be sent to Cull's office along with a threat of sending the letter to the local daily.

Finance director Marne Jensen said many advertisers don't pay their debts, and this letter would be manipulation based on Cull's position in public office to make her pay a bill.

The motion was soundly defeated.❑



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Most of us are becoming aware of the pollution problem and the struggle to conserve the environment, yet we do not acknowledge the underlying problem of chemically poisoning ourselves and our entire planet.

While deforestation, waste, and other environmental horrors are becoming increasingly well known, most people do not realize how closely chemical poisoning relates to these problems and many more.

In *Poisoning Our Children: Surviving in A Toxic World*, Nancy Sokol Green said since the 1940s there have been over 70,000 new chemicals created and used. According to Green, 90 per cent of these remain virtually untested — especially for long-term risk.

Of the 10 per cent that have been tested, the majority were verified or strongly suspected of being poisons, carcinogens, mutagens, and/or linked to Multiple Sclerosis and other nerve or muscle illnesses.

The evidence of what is being termed "Environmental Illness" is mounting rapidly: conditions ranging from unnoticeable to excruciatingly painful to lethal, stemming from allergic and physiological reactions to our toxic environment.

Strong evidence links chemical allergies and toxins in our environment to cancer, M.S., Reye's Syndrome, birth defects, infertility, learning disorders, inability to concentrate, poor memory, irrational anger, loss of balance, degenerative motor control problems, unexplained nerve tingling and numbness, excema, migraines, depression, hyperactivity — such as Attention Deficit Disorder among children — and many other conditions that reflect the full spectrum of poisons we are subjected to every day.

Excluding people in hazardous occupations and their families, Green calculated we are exposed to at least 500 chemicals daily.

This can cause an increase in behavioural problems, especially among children who are most at risk because their rapid growth and related cell changes are easily harmed by chemicals.

Green cited a new program in England where instead of sentencing young offenders to detention centres, authorities test them for allergies and alter their diets and environments to eliminate substances affecting their behaviour.

The results are phenomenally successful, as the incidence of repeat offenses has been as low as seven per cent. Obviously, chemicals affect us more than we think if they make people act differently than they normally would, to the point of committing crimes.

Using chemical products is the norm and has increased over the generations as children have been born into and conditioned by a society dependent on prepackaged and processed products.

Cosmetics, like shampoo, aftershave, soap, deodorant, and toothpaste, have high chemical contents. The U.S. cosmetic industry, which supplies Canadian markets, has officially registered only 2,983 chemicals, but there are possibly thousands more in use.

The industry has been self-regulated by a panel of toxicologists, dermatologists, and formulators since the early 1970s. However, this Cosmetic Ingredient Review Board has only "reviewed" 277 chemicals since 1976.

Following a court case in July of 1989, the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) was asked by Congress to review the 2,983 commonly used chemicals.

The results were stunning: 884 ingredients were confirmed toxic. Of these, 314 caused biological mutations in tests, 218 caused reproductive complications, 778 caused acute toxicity reactions, 146 caused tumors, and 376 caused skin and eye irritations.

The example of the CIR board illustrates how people are often falsely led to believe that because there is a "review board" the public is being protected.

In truth, the producers of agricultural products and livestock, chemical companies and manufacturers of everything from plastics to laundry soap have very little restraint and even less worry about action against them.

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In many developing areas, like South America and Asia, American companies supply people with pesticides which would never be produced for markets here. The workers who use the chemicals often do not have protective clothing and mix the product incorrectly.

Western consumers are partly to blame as our purchases support the importation of produce from countries without even token regulations governing pesticide use and who continue to use banned products.

It would be in the world's best interest for all governments to force corporations to change their policies and stop taking advantage of the people.

In addition to pesticides in the imported produce we eat, domestically grown products contain hazards too. The restrictions imposed by our government are still relatively minor and unenforced.

Our produce regulations do not require a label listing pesticides or whether it has been dyed, waxed, or sprayed with ripening agents or fungicides, even though these are common practices.

The meat we buy does not list the regular use of growth hormones, fertility drugs, and intensive antibiotics. Nor does the milk we buy list the use of those drugs and others which, according to Green, have been used by the dairy industry to increase the amount of milk produced per cow from 2000 pounds per year to 25,000 pounds or more.

Again, it is children who are most at risk from these practices. Dr. Carmen Sanez published a report in 1981 detailing the shocking number of children in Puerto Rico who experienced premature puberty.

Sanez reported treating children as young as four or five who had fully developed breasts, pubic hair, well developed reproductive systems and even vaginal bleeding.

After extensive testing ruling out neurological or other adrenal disorders, she determined the children were suffering because they ate animals injected with growth hormones.

The chemicals in our environment may become the factor changing human population growth rates. The incidence of sterility/infertility has increased dramatically over the last 50 years.

A study done by several American universities showed that 25 per cent of today's university students are sterile. Forty-five years ago only 0.5 per cent were.

Clearly this is not a gender issue, nor is it a nationalistic one — it is an issue of the future.

People must be aware there are many areas in the fight to save our world for the future. Each person can make a difference in the fight to save our environment and ourselves:

1) Read books and become informed consumers.
2) Insist your local grocery store stock only organic foods and products.
3) Choose carefully. Refuse to buy into corporate advertising and thus refuse to be the test group determining whether that unpronounceable chemical added to your Twinkie is harmful or perhaps lethal.
4) Refuse to be entomophobic. Our fear of insects leads to drastic actions. Many harmful chemical pesticides linger for anywhere from 35 to 75 years.

Further Reading

An Alternative Approach to Allergies: The New Field of Clinical Ecology Unravels the Environmental Causes of Mental and Physical Ills by Theron G. Randolph, M.D. and Ralph W. Moss Ph.D.

Poisoning Our Children: Surviving in a Toxic World by Nancy Sokol Green. Includes a section on sources for organic, non-toxic and otherwise environmentally friendly products.

Tracking Down Hidden Food Allergies and *The Yeast Connection by* William Crook, M.D.

Tired or Toxic? by Sherry Rogers, M.D.

Clean and Green: The Complete Guide to Non-toxic and Environmentally Safe Housekeeping by Anne Berthold Bond

Pest Control You Can Live With by Debra Graff

• MORE OPINIONS •

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I objected to disproportionate writing overall, not aimed at any group; for a paper professing equality, it often shows one side of an issue. It was in this context only I mentioned Dr. Morgantaller. Mr. Young assumes I'm anti-choice. I didn't declare this, I believe it is a woman's decision and she is ultimately responsible for her actions.

We are in heated agreement about the value of "special interest groups" Mr. Young, but I object to their disproportionate emphasis in a paper representing the whole campus.

The *Martlet* needs to adhere to it's policy of not printing exploitive, hateful, dangerous material and representing all opinions fairly.

Clear?

Christine Olsen

Thought Code

Editors:

In response to Ryan Dahl's letter of Dec. 3:

I am dismayed to see the person and "mandate for us" of Jesus yet again so distorted that "Christian love" becomes, at the hands of Mr. Dahl and so many others, a code for terrifying, even brutal thought and behavior.

Ryan! Heed the words of Paul, who said (I Cor. 13:12): Now we see through a glass, darkly...

Humility, Ryan. We simply do not know much of the will of God in this world. And Christianity has well earned, and continues to earn, the revulsion of millions of thoughtful people around us, precisely because the monstrous arrogance of thousands of men in the past and at present has allowed them to act in the authority of God, whose will they claim to carry out. The litany of horrors is well enough known, and is properly revolting to the sane: Inquisitions, crusades, witchhunts, the demonization and oppression of women. Vegeance is mine, saith the Lord; but Christians, Catholic and Protestant, have often fallen and continue to fall to the diabolical temptation that God might use a little hand in these matters...

But what is more heart-breakingly perverse than today's crop of cheerful, prosperous, right-wing Evangelicals? Preaching death to homosexuals, the fear of feminism, the feasibility of nuclear war, gloating over the eternal torment they imagine for those dissenting with them, willing, Ryan, to re-rape a raped women in the name of God by telling her she must bear the child of this soul-breaking crime. Christ commands us to love, and this requires a human heart, fully alive to others' pain. Replace the heart with human authority and you have a sick cult, or perhaps "Operation Rescue." Replace the heart with the Bible and you have a perfect work of the devil: the image and authority of Jesus uspured and inverted into a perverted, oppressing, soul-killing mockery of the life and message of Jesus, the "Word of God." "Jesus was anti-choice?" No. Jesus was, above all, the "light which illuminates every human being coming into the Cosmos," calling all would come, in the freedom of their own choice, into the Kingdom of Heaven, which is neither here, nor there, but "within you" (each of you!)

Neil Burnett.

Keith knows

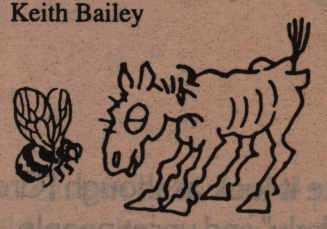
Editors:

This is another letter to the person who "draws" DICE.

I read your "comic stip" in the January 7 issue. While I realize you had the right to respond to my letter in December, I see that you did not answer any of the issues that I brought up. For example, I see that you once again did not use your real name when you signed your "comic strip". This makes it easier to belive that you are ashamed of your "comic strip". And you should be.

Anyway, I know your real name. Your real name is Lorne Langevin.

Keith Bailey



Chalk Shock

Editors:

Re: Jan. 7 issue.

I've seen mysogynous graffiti on campus, but it's not the only negative kind that exists, or remains on the walls here. This issue implies that insulting graffiti is solely perpetrated by the heterosexual male student population; it's not only absurdly naive to take that view, it's biased and unethical.

I agree the chalk drawings should have been allowed to remain. Calling the police was an overreaction. But how the hell was anyone supposed to know that the red paint would wash away in the rain? Maybe the paint and not the message itself was the reason cleanup crews were called.

As for the record review promoting a song called "Dead Men Don't Rape", your cover story indicates that writing "Rape is Fun" on the door of the Women's Centre was a horrible thing to do. Absolutely. Why then does a song with an even more violent message deserve to be extolled? Although it's very rare, women too rape. Would the Martlet have promoted a song called "Dead Women Don't Rape" by an all male band?

Finally, regarding the letter by Michele Pujol et al, I was saddened to hear of the female student who was brutalized and harrassed by Traffic and Security as well as all the others who were harrassed by Traffic and Security as well as all the others who were harrassed at the Women's Centre. Apologies to all concerned is the very least that should happen and disciplinary action against them would be ridiculous, it should be the other way around. I do believe however, that the same individuals that overreacted against the female chalker would have done the same thing to a male student drawing on the ground outside the library.

The Martlet is a newspaper for the students of this University both male and female. The Canadian University Press statement of principles, which you claim to adhere to, avers you will print no sexist copy. Well in my view, you have done just that. Hateful graffiti is directed at both men and women on this campus. Not to acknowledge this is bad enough but to advocate a song that promotes violence against a group of individulas based on their gender is not only sexist, it is utterly appalling. Given the focus of your last issue it is also amazing. You owe the men of this University an apology.

Pamela CBF Grant

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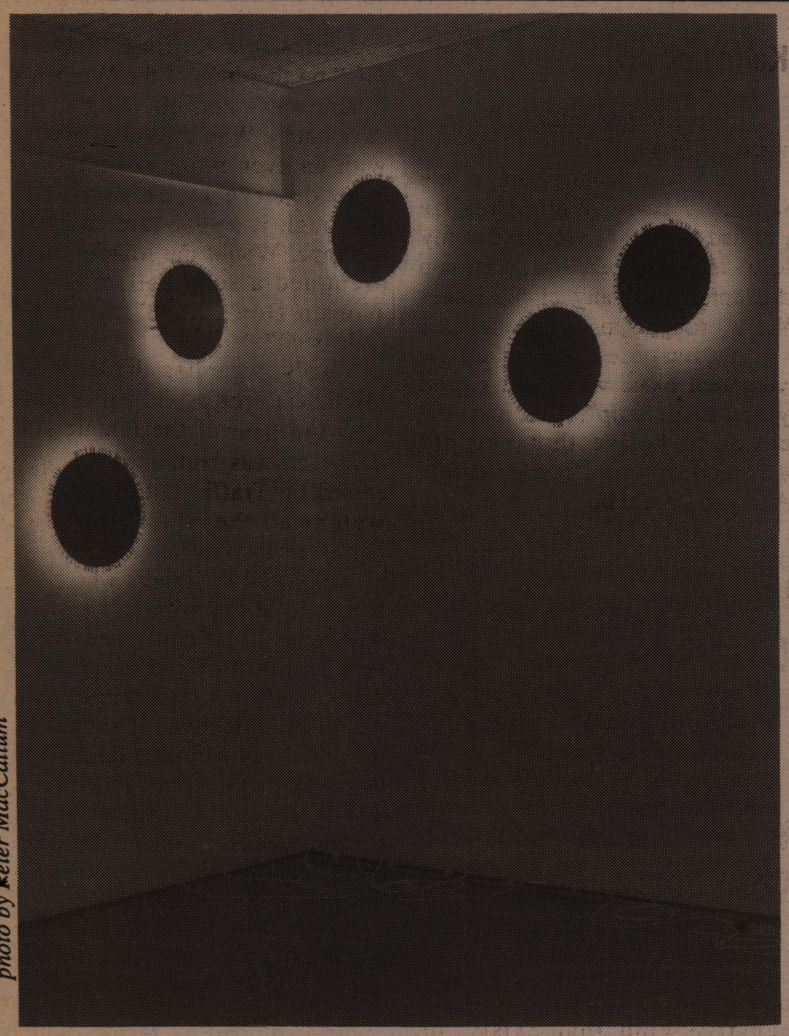

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Industrial aesthetic at Open Space until Jan. 23.

Metal meets light

Brett Grubisic

Masses of scrap-metal, bits of petrochemical plastics, and discarded domestic objects made into furniture assault the senses of Victorians this month.

Works with Light, Open Space Gallery's latest exhibition, is composed of 10 individual works and 2 collaborative pieces. The two artists, Lynda Gammon and Mitch Lexier, talked briefly about the exhibition at the show's opening Jan. 8.

Both artists share an attraction to an "industrial aesthetic."

Gammon, a Victoria artist and UVic lecturer, uses "cast-off domestic items", essentially manufactured debris. These items are rearranged and reassembled into odd wall reliefs.

Lexier, who works out of Toronto, uses industrial products like stainless steel, plexiglass, fluorescent lighting, and laser-cut metal to confront decidedly non-industrial themes.

The artists' discussions revealed the collaboration was mostly the result of the two artists' mutual respect for each other and their work.

The "light" theme seems more a convenient meeting point for their styles than a serious consideration.

Both artists use industrial materials or abandoned consumer goods, but more importantly, each artist uses such themes as home, family, genealogy, and lost history.

Gammon said as a self-professed "marginal" artist, she shows an almost nostalgic concern with objects not used anymore to make "displays of something that once was."

A brief slide history showed Gammon's interest in cast-off objects as habitual.

She admits her objects have a forlorn quality. Indeed, her wall reliefs have the effect of making the viewer sink into depression or environmental anxiety.

Gammon also photographs her wall reliefs to give them a relation to the studio where they are created and a historical work-in-progress context.

She adds a felt-like flocking to the surface of the large photographs to give them an "emotional mood," although this viewer was unable to understand how black blobs of flocking convey warmth, depth, or emotion.

Lexier's work, as shown in his brief slide lecture, displays remarkable formal versatility. Though he is drawn to industrial materials, there is a marked variance in terms of material and theme between works.

In his presentation Lexier displayed works whose focus ranged from gay politics to the complexities of family histories and individual identity.

Lexier's "City Of Night By John Rechy," refers to a seminal apocalyptic gay novel of the 1970s. Three ominous "suns" made of laser-cut metal and back lit with with a fluorescent tube are marked with the enticing text: "with his words turning lights into the darkest parts of me."

"You Have My Permission" is made of two vertical fluorescent tubes crossed by three stainless steel snakes. The two elements form a dollar sign.

Works With Light remains at the Open Space gallery, 510 Fort St. until Jan 23.❑

Still not art at local gallery

by Colette Colligan

A new exhibition at the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria shows snow scenes from the gallery's permanent collection.

The paintings in *Let it Snow* are technically competent, but artistically dull.

The paintings are haphazardly thrown together to fill empty space. The result is a barrage of typical, Bateman style landscapes that lack inspiration.

Competing with, rather than complementing, each other the differing styles fail to give the exhibition a common feeling. The focus is split, and the viewer remains unaffected.

The snow motif is intended as a means to group these paintings together. It seems appropriate considering Victoria's weather of late, but more abstract themes can be found.

A common theme of many of the paintings is the goodness of humankind and its triumph in the face of hardship.

The variety of artists and cultures represented range from Japanese to American and Canadian. All emphasize the importance of family and friends during the snowy season.

The exhibition stresses that various cultures have the same priorities, and encourages the viewer to become more tolerant of different cultures.

This is particularly important considering the history of anti-Japanese sentiment in Canada.

One highlight is Jack Shadbolt's "Canadian New Snow From My Window," done in 1954.

An abstract watercolor, it depicts a dirty window looking out onto the snow covered city, illustrating the feeling of optimism created by a snowy landscape.

The freshness of the snow contrasts with the dull greens and greys it partially covers, offering a breather from the dreariness of ordinary life.

Other artists portrayed in this exhibition include W.J. Phillips, Fiyoshi Saito, A. Y. Jackson, Frederick Varley, and Charles Jones Way.

Let it Snow runs until Mar. 7 at the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria, 1040 Moss Street. Admission $4.❑

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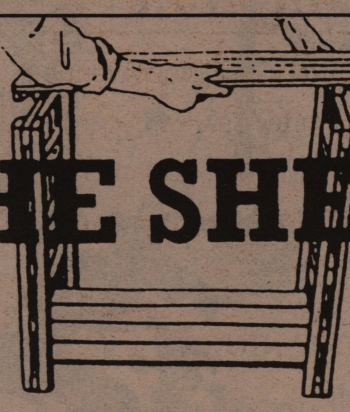

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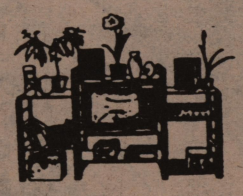

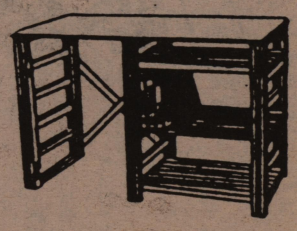

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Logging legal, logging ok

Editors:

Re: "Defender of Public Land Failed" (*Martlet*, Dec. 3)

It is always fascinating to read articles which shows sympathy towards environmentalists who go to prison for intruding on a loggers's right to do his job. This particular article seems to emphasize the point that these protesters did nothing wrong because all they did was "delay" some loggers for a small amount of time on public land. The problem with this argument is that the land is not public; this land is leased to MacMillan Bloedel. This lease allows MacBlo to log this land the way they intended to when their application was presented to the government. This is similar to an agreement between an apartment owner and a tenant in which the owner's family is not allowed to intrude on a tenants apartment just because he/she doesn't like what the tenant is doing (except the owner may call the proper authorities if the tenant is doing something illegal). Therefore, unless the workers are doing something illegal on the land being logged, you can't do anything to stop them.

Marleen Lillico also says in the article that she protested peacefully because all she did was sing and dance on the logging road. This may be so, but as long as she blocks the workers from their jobs, then what she did was illegal. I'm sure all you pro-abortionists don't go, "Oh dear, that poor person protesting the abortion clinic is getting arrested for exercising her right to delay women who want abortions."

I think it's time we start living in the real world, and start looking at the whole story before we feel sympathy for protestors who dare to break the laws. If you break a law, you pay the consequences (no matter how hard they are).

Douglas H. VanWieren

Ridiculously Cheap

Editors:

Mr. Greenwell's letter (Dec. 3) states that a rebateable Students' Society fee would threaten some of the services in the SUB.

However, one of the "threatened" services he lists, VIPIRG, is actually already part of a fee rebate system almost identical to the one Students for Direct Democracy is proposing. It has flourished since its establishment in 1983, and last Fall only 15 of its 14 000 members (0.001 %) collected their fee rebate.

The point here is that as long as the Directors really are representing their constituents, the Society will have more than enough money to defend students' rights.

As for the services, the most important and useful ones are ridiculously cheap compared to the bloated, fixable subsidies given out to keep the SUB businesses going at off-peak times of year. For example, the Ombudsperson costs only 2% of the total budget.

Anyone who wants a more thorough explanation can leave a note in my mailbox behind the SUB general office and I'll be happy to discuss this isue in more depth.

Cameron St. John
UVSS Dirctor

Not veiled

Editors:

I found interesting Afra Jalabi's article (December 3, 1992), "Western women have veiled minds."

Those of your readers interested in exploring this topic will be interested in a Sociology course being offered this Summer by Dr. Minoo Moallem from the University of California (Berkeley).

The 1.5 unit course, Women of Colour Cross-Culturally (Soci 390, P01), is being offered from 10:30 - 12:30, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from July 5 to July 27, 1993. A course precis is posted outside of the Sociology Department General Office.

Peace

Daniel J. Koenig, Ph.D.,
Chair, Sociology Dept.

Tyranny and comradery

Editors:

In his letter of December 6th, Kelly Greenwell, UVSS Director of Services, provides us with a clear example of what's wrong with the UVSS Board of Directors. Kelly and his fellow members of the *progressive collective* feel that their majority position gives them the right to step on the rights of the minority and the real majority who are the 90% of the student body who didn't vote for anyone. This group uses Brian Mulroney's tyranny of the majority style of government to spend our money on their narrow minded ideology.

Unfortunately, this 90% is forced to become members of the UVSS at a cost of $190.00 for the Winter Session which is a violation of the *Society Act*. This is justified by the collective as justified because every student has the opportunity to vote. They fail to mention that this opportunity to vote is guided by factors which the BoD determines. For example, UBC has five polling days, evening polling hours, a mobile poll and rules that ensure that all Faculties have a polling station at their part of campus; SFU has three polling days, evening polling hours and widespread polling stations; UVic has two polling days and most parts of campus are favoured with better access to polling stations than others. In addition, both UBC and SFU elect representatives from every department, it shouldn't be a suprise to learn that over half of the UVSS BoD members over the past five years are Political Science majors.

A rebateable (not voluntary as Kelly stated) membership encourages the BoD to take into account the opinions of all the students on campus during their term of office. It creates accountability outside of the election period. This is what Kelly and his comrades are afraid of.

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UVSS Director

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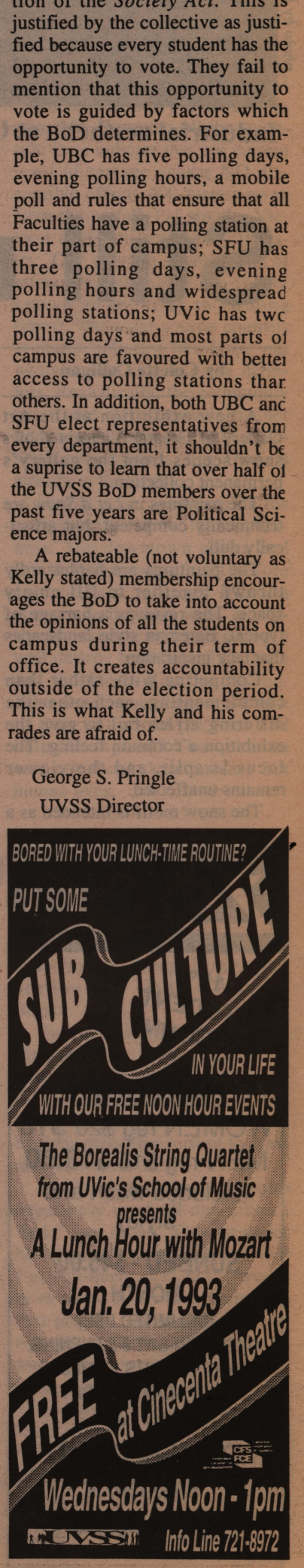


Folkster to charm with wit and heart

by Karen Nadler

Bob Franke writes from the centre of human experience - the heart - and he'll be performing Jan. 16 at the Unity Church in Fernwood.

"Nothing is as important as going to that centre," he said in a media release. "That's what an artist is supposed to do. It's a great adventure on one hand, and it's utterly terrifying on the other."

> You won't find yourself joining Greenpeace after the show.

Franke hails from Massachusetts, attended the University of Michigan in the mid-sixties and now lives in New England. He has lectured at countless blues and folk festivals, toured through North America and Britain, and has released five albums for Flying Fish Records out of Chicago.

Franke's lyrics are not emotionally manipulative; you won't find yourself joining Green Peace or Amnesty International in the lobby after his show.

When you watch Franke perform you feel like you are in his living room.

His songs come to you; you don't have to go to them: "What can you do with your days/ but work and hope/ let your dreams bind your work to your play/ What can you do with each moment of your life/ but love till you've loved it away?"

Also, Franke's sense of humour is sparkling and infectious.

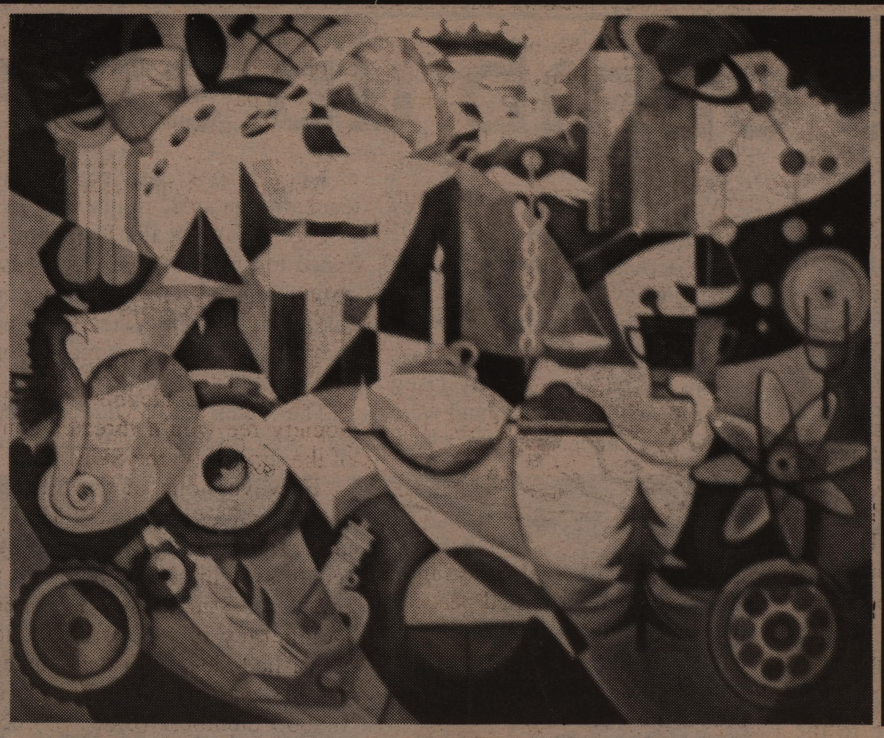
"You have to do it with a sense of not only the dead centre," he explains. "The humour is what we do to cope. I could not do a show without the humorous songs."

Included here is what could be called the Bicycle Blues: "Now you've got rust around your axle/ and your wheel's a little bent/ and there ain't no lubrication/where the lubrication went/ let me fix your bicycle, baby/ because I'm crazy 'bout your frame . . ."

Franke doesn't have the poplustre of Tracy Chapman or Suzanne Vega or the cult following of Bob Dylan.

However, he does have the integrity of James Taylor or Joni Mitchell. His guitar technique is clean and smooth. His voice is rich and pliant. He is a highly acclaimed artist and should not be missed by folk listeners.

Tickets are available at Mezzrow's Records, Nautical Mind Bookstore and the Whistly Gypsy Centre for Community Music, 598-5775.❑



"The Scope of the University" is fully revealed at the Maltwood gallery until Feb. 7.

photo by Ana Torres

Virtual rummage sale

by Matthew Ramsey

It's lurking in cold musty basements, in dusty Johnson street studios, and even behind the doors of tiny faculty offices.

Artists and Teachers is an eclectic exhibition of UVic talent showing at the Maltwood Gallery.

Artists A. Wilfred Johns, Marion Small, Donald Harvey, John Dobereiner, Margaret Travis, Geoffrey Hodder, John Cawood, Peter Shostak, William Zuk and George Steggles have all contributed in some way to UVic's visual arts programs.

The pieces range in medium and in style, from prints to watercolours, from extreme realism to Warholian modernism.

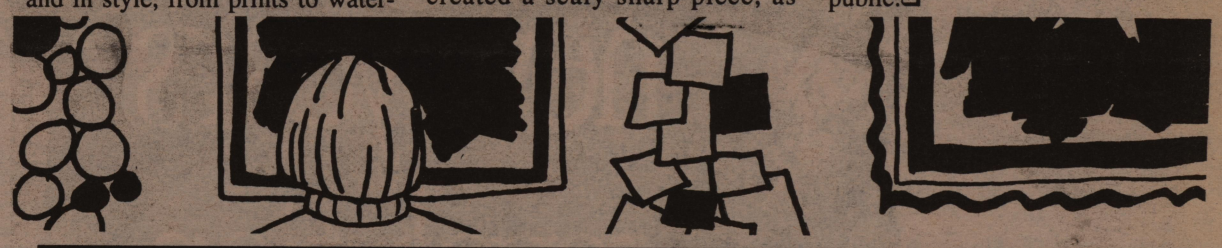
A. Wilfred Johns' colourful and vibrant piece entitled "The Scope of the University" is a huge work displaying the artist's own interpretation of cubism in the many aspects of life at UVic.

> Extreme realism to Warholian modernism.

With many types of nails and industrial staples, Marion Small created a scaly sharp piece, as prickly as a UVic financial aid officer. In "Iridium," the nails are all driven into the board at different heights and glint seductively, inviting the viewer to touch and explore their jagged beauty.

Geoffrey Hodder's "Chew Out The...." plunges headlong into absurdity, using modern advertisements for Crest Toothpaste, combined with stylized faces and teeth. The effect of the collage is a message of the importance of oral hygiene.

Artists and Teachers runs at the Maltwood Gallery until Feb. 7. Admission to the University Centre gallery is free and open to the public.❑



Crying Game not Hollywood glitz fest

The Crying Game
written and directed by Neil Jordan
UK 1992

by Matthew Ramsey

The Crying Game opens with an Irish fair with a ferris wheel spinning, children laughing and music blaring. Everyone seems to be having a good time in this idyllic setting.

One of the revellers is Jody (Forest Whitaker), an English soldier stationed in Northern Ireland.

But in less time than it takes to down a lukewarm pint of Guinness, the mood and plot of the film is turned upside down. Jody is kidnapped by the IRA and taken to a deserted farmhouse.

The terms of his captors are strict. If the British government does not release an imprisoned IRA member in three days time, Jody will be killed.

Jimmy (Stephen Rea) is charged with guarding Jody and the two rapidly become friends.

Jody asks Jimmy to accompany his mate Del (Jaye Richardson) out on the town one night, to prevent anything unpleasant happening to her. Jimmy agrees and the stage is set for one of the best films of 1992.

The story's many plots grab the viewer and drag you out of your seat and into the script, sharing in the shock of the cast members as they discover that things are rarely what they appear to be.

Dramatic reversal is a device where the direction of the piece is radically changed and it creates a tangible feeling of tension.

> "... an effective probe into the human psyche."

Neil Jordan has perfected this device in *The Crying Game*. When you think you've got a grip on where the film's headed, suddenly the carpet is ripped out from under your feet, and bruised, with a mouthful of shag, you lie there thinking, What The Fuck?

The Crying Game has no major star billing, no big time Hollywood attitude, but the cast is seductive, charming, romantic, thrilling and elegant. The film wraps the audience around its little finger and gives a good hard shake. It is a thriller, as well as an effective probe into the human psyche.

The Crying Game rates four stars, ten out of ten and three thumbs up. It plays at the Capitol Six theatre at 7:10 and 9:20 nightly.❑

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Vikes climb up standings

by Andrew Duffy

The Vikes men's basketball team stepped out on the court to tremendously warm ovations from near capacity crowds at McKinnon Gym this past weekend as they entertained the University of Lethbridge Pronghorns.

The Vikes were fresh from an impressive 5-1 record over the Christmas tournament season, including a runner-up finish at the York University Invitational tournament.

The Pronghorns took the Christmas break off, hoping they could get away with a few weeks rest before their road trip to the Coast. That decision proved fatal for the Pronghorns, as the newly revitalized Vikes used them to improve their CIAU regular season record to 4-4.

Head Coach Guy Vetrie warned his players that the Pronghorns would be no pushover, citing wins over both Calgary and Alberta as examples of their ability.

Any worry that the Vikes would not be ready for their prairie opponents was quickly dispelled Friday night as the Horns were sent back to the drawing board after a 88-79 loss.

The Vikes were led by Greg Meldrum with 27 points, and were helped tremendously by the return of Chris Shriek, who rejoins the team after an ankle injury.

Saturday night the Pronghorns hoped to turn the tables, but were again met by a fiercely determined Vikings team. The Vikes, cheered on by a noisy crowd, outpaced the Horns to a 100-86 win.

The Vikes started quickly and pressured relentlessly throughout the first half. Their tireless work resulted in numerous turnovers which quickly translated into points on the board when the Vikes went on offense.

But the most impressive facet of the Vikes' game had to be their rebounding. Although there is no considerable difference in the size of the two teams, the Vikes managed to out-hustle and win the battle of the boards on both sides of the court in the first half.

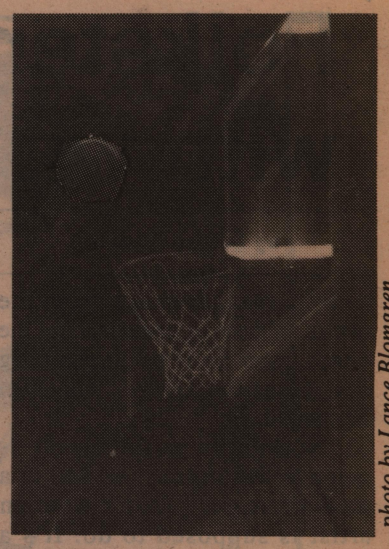

photo by Lance Blomgren

The tight defense and fluid offense gave the Vikes what looked to be a healthy 10 point lead at the half, although it was a lead that would take something of a beating in the second half.

Lethbridge noticeably slowed the pace down in the second half in hopes of neutralizing the Vikes offense, and igniting their sharpshooting guard Tim Robinson.

However, though Robinson did catch fire, the Vikes withstood each and every challenge the Horns threw at them.

The Horns cut the Vikes lead that hovered between 12 and 3 points, but never looked in control. The Vikes, on the other hand, were nothing short of collected and calm. They simply turned it on when they needed it.

The two wins bring the Vikes back into the thick of things in the Canada West conference and should be a good confidence boost as they hit the road in the next two weeks.

The Vikes next home games are Jan. 29 and 30 against the University of Saskatchewan Huskies.❑

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• SPORTS •

Rugby Vikes turn up the intensity

by Andrew Duffy

Pride.

An intangible ingredient in the recipe for success of any team. Whether that team competes in the corporate world or on the rugby pitch, pride in performance and achievement drives a team to be the best.

The University of Victoria Vikes rugby squad like many of the other varsity teams at UVic, knows what pride can do for a team. And judging from past successes, pride in their performance is well founded.

However, at the start of this season the Vikes suffered a blow to that crucial element as they got off to one of the slowest starts ever.

The Vikes stumbled out of the starter's blocks with a 1-3 record. For many teams a start like that would be no cause for alarm, but for a team that is used to seeing itself at the top of the Vancouver Island first division it was a bitter pill to swallow.

"We were pretty frustrated and upset about the first part of the season," Jon Pike, a third year veteran, said. "Things just weren't going our way. We were losing games we shouldn't have and not playing to our potential.

The Vikes were rudely introduced to the season with losses to Cowichan and the Velox Valhallians, but the most aggravating game, and the game that served as motivation to turn things around, was a thorough trouncing from James Bay, the cross town rivals.

James Bay and the Vikes have a history of dislike, and a loss to them was all the motivation the Vikes needed to get their act together.

"It was quite simple," Pike said. "We needed to change. A change in game plan and philosophy was the key to turning around a season that was bordering on disastrous.

"Basically we realigned the team. We shuffled around the backs and adopted a new plan of attack up front. We were looking to increase our ball production and thereby increase our chances of scoring."

The new style and renewed determination to win appears to have turned things around for the Vikes, considering they have won their last seven games, including big wins over UBC and the UBC Old Boys in the Interlock schedule.

"The wins over UBC and the Old Boys were definitely the most satisfying considering the start of the season," said Pike. "The Old Boys are one of the top sides in Canada, and when you couple that win with an excellent effort and a 25-5 win over UBC in Vancouver you have to be satisfied."

The change in alignment was the brainchild of new coach Mark Wyatt, former Canadian National team member and UVic Alumni, who has brought his wealth of international rugby experience and keen insight of the game to the Vikes.

"Mark has been a big reason for the turnaround," Pike noted. "His new practice regimen and some new techniques have certainly helped us out this season."

Another aspect of this season's version of the Vikes that is a little different than in past years is a reliance on a complete team effort.

"We are very much a team," Pike said. "There is no one leader, and no real star as there may have been in past years. We rely heavily on each other, a fact that has brought us together and made us a much stronger team."

The Vikes hope to continue their winning ways this term as they resume both the Island and Interlock schedules. They are also looking forward to the return of second row forward Ty Whittaker, who has been an integral part of the team in the past.❑

Pronghorns trounced

by Michael Lynn

The University of Victoria women's basketball team bounced back into regular season play last weekend against the University of Lethbridge Pronghorns.

The Vikes capped off a successful weekend against the Horns with an 88-60 drubbing on Saturday, moving their regular season undefeated record to eight wins and no losses.

Tara Gallaway had a career high of 34 points, leading the Vikes to a victory-a victory punctuated by fierce commitment to team play.

Standout guard Christina VanAert said of the performance and of the team's future, "We really played well as a team. Improvement in our team happens now. From here we set our goals day to day."

This pragmatic approach is stressed from the top down, beginning with the leadership of coach Kathy Shields. If all goes well for the powerhouse Vikes, their goals will reach the summit at the nationals, here at UVic in March.

Saturday's win followed an equally impressive performance on Friday when the Pronghorns were on the wrong side of an 82-55 decision.

The Vikes will be on the road for the next two weekends and will continue on the road to the national championships at home against the University of Saskatchewan Jan. 29 and 30.❑

UVic has little known complex

by Tracy Nishimura

Despite the success of the recent open house, some students still respond, "Huh?" when asked about the new Gordon Head Complex, although many have taken advantage of the University's new sport and recreation facility.

The facility, located on Gordon Head Road across the street from the UVic campus near McKenzie, was opened to staff and students in September, but really hasn't gotten off the ground until this January.

Recreation Co-ordinator Winona Pugh feels the Gordonhead Complex is a "phenomenal facility" being offered to UVic students.

It has enabled the number of recreation clubs and the size of the intramural program to double, while offering better training times and facilities at the same time.

Additions to the intramural programs include ice hockey, floor hockey, indoor soccer and expansion to the intramural volleyball and basketball league. The expanded intramural program, with the exception of flag football, is already almost full and registration ends this Friday, Jan. 15.

With the new court facilities, Athletics and Rec. can now offer a, "really expanded tennis and squash instructional program...all year long," said Pugh. And fencing and ice skating lessons are now offered for the first time.

The "fieldhouse," a large indoor area for tennis, has allowed for drop-in activities like volleyball, basketball and tennis.

When planning the new facility, consideration went into what was the biggest need on campus - the weightroom. The weightroom in the Gordon Head Complex is already busy, but it has "the highest capacity of any weightroom in B.C.," said Pugh.

The weightroom sports six new stairmasters, six computerized stationary bikes, two computerized ergometers, newly purchased universal equipment and free weights, as well as hydragym equipment.

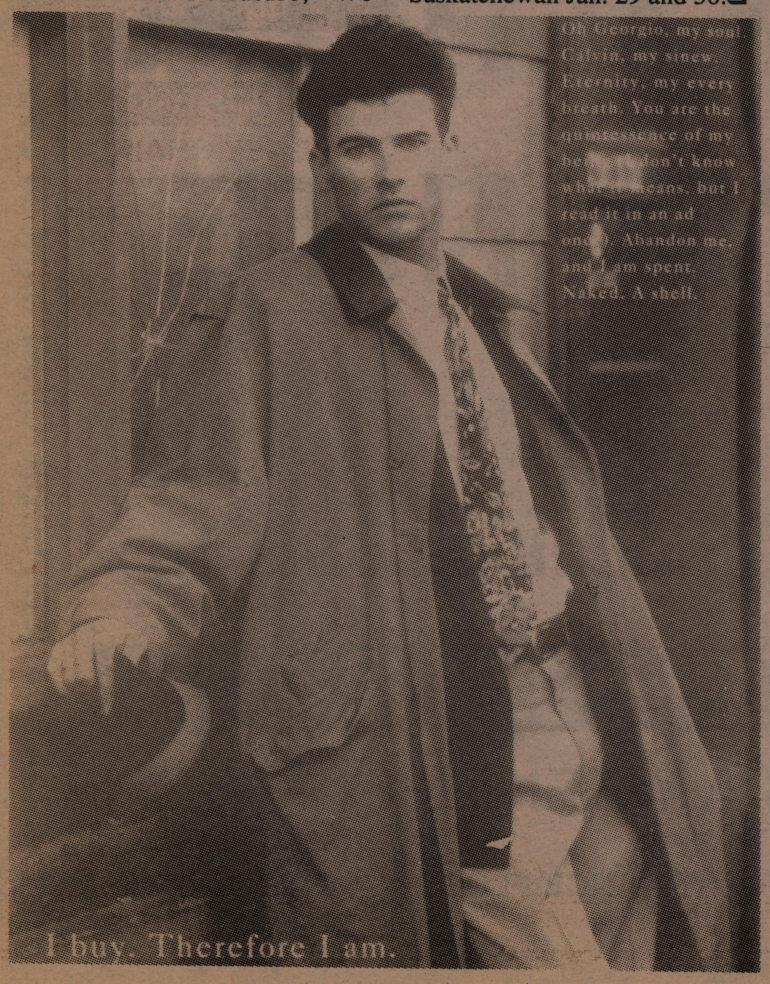
The equipment ranges "from the novice to the advanced trainer with an advanced program," said Pugh.

Athletics and Rec. has plans to introduce "supercircuit" in February, a weight program recommended for beginners.

The half hour workout combines universal and hydragym equipment and rotates users so they are never static. It creates a full workout at an aerobic level and uses the equipment more efficiently to help clear up the weightroom bottleneck.

If you are still an unsure newcomer, "Weightroom supervisors are trained to do orientations and introductions to help people through," said Pugh. Or you can go to the Athletics and Rec. office in the McKinnon gym to contact Anneke or Mafawny at 721-8410 for a one-on-one tour or orientation.

The Gordon Head Complex, with its carpeted changerooms and beverage lounge, is a excellent alternative to the high fees of a private nautilus club and students have already paid Athletic and Rec. fees with their tuition.❑



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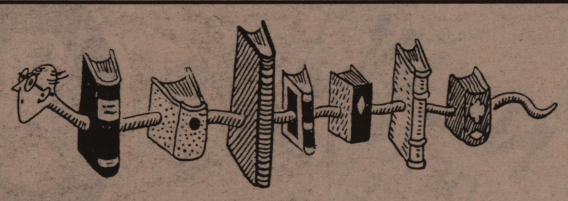

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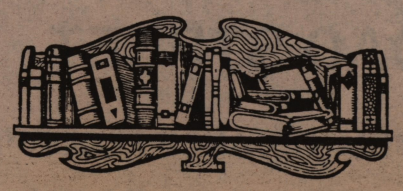

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WEDNESDAY

VIPIRG'S RACISM AND DISCRIMINATION COMMITTEE is meeting every week in Cinecenta at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

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PRO-CHOICE ACTION NETWORK meets for weekly discussions and activist planning in SUB Room 137A at 3:30.

SCIENCE FICTION CLUB meets at 6:30 p.m., in Cle C118. Come out and show your fannish side. Discussion of anything interesting is welcome.

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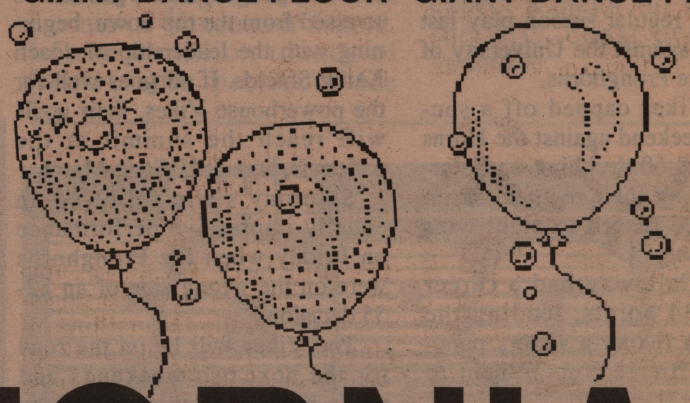

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AMI RADUNSKAYA expert on the mathematics of chaos and member of the Department of Mathematics at Rice University will speak on "Randomness of Nature: Differentiating Between Deterministic and Stochastic Chaos," at 3:30 p.m. in Clearihue C110.

FRIDAY 15

LECTURE

DR. D. CASS, Department of Botany, will speak on "New approaches to Embryogenesis in Maize." From 3-4 p.m. Cunningham rm 146. For more info call 721-7123.

DR. JOAN BOROD, Department of Psychology. Topic: Neuropsychological mechanism underlying emotion: Facial, Prosodica and Lexical Processing at 10:30 a.m. in Cornett A228, reading room.

MUSIC

JAFFE AND KIMURA will demonstrate and discuss new music, techniques and technologies for string instruments, including the zeta violin at 1:30 p.m. in MacLaurin A168.

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SVEND ROBINSON, Canada's only openly gay MP, will speak on the importance of being 'out' in a time when great advances are being made on lesbian and gay rights in a generally conservative climate. Sponsored by UVic's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Alliance. Wednesday Jan. 27 from 12-1 p.m. at Cinecenta.

BRENDA CONSTANZO will talk on Native Plant Gardening. Tuesday Jan 26, 7:30 p.m. at the Swan Lake Nature Centre. Everyone welcome. For more info call 386-3785.

PANEL ON USING MONEY Wednesday Jan., 27 at 7:30 p.m. at Christ Church Cathedral's Memorial Hall, 969 Rockland Ave. For further information, please call Frances Gooday at 383-2714.

LECTURE by Dr. T.A. Kunkel, from the Laboratory of Molecular Genetics at the National institute of Health Sciences, will speak on Studies of the fidelity of DNA replication in human cell extracts. Friday, Jan. 22, from 3-4 p.m.

PANEL DISCUSSION on the young offenders act. Tuesday, Jan. 26, 12 p.m. Begbie Rm 158. The speakers will be Judge M. Hubbard, Patti Stark, and Tim Leadem.

NOON FILM SHOW Presented Thursday from 12-1 p.m. in the Central Library Multipurpose Room. Program: The Fiddlers of James Bay, and The Scottish Highlands. Admission is free and bag lunches are welcome.

SLIDE PRESENTATION by Leif Wergeland of his recent trip to the Horn of Africa. Program is scheduled for Thursday, Jan, 21 from 7:30-9 p.m. in the Central Library Multipurpose Room. Admission is free but pre-registration is requested at 382-7241.

MEL HURTIG, Leader of the National Party of Canada will be speaking on the topic "A New and Better Canada," at the Newcombe Theatre, Friday Jan. 22, 7:30 p.m. Admission is free, everyone is welcome!

ONGOING

COFFEE HOUSE at mother's cupboard. Every Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. Admission is $1. Light snacks and Coffee/Tea provided.

FIRST YEAR STUDENTS CENTRE has reopened. We are prepared to assist you with any concerns, questions or anything which perplexes you on campus. We are located in Counselling Services on the second floor of the University Centre and the phone number is 721-8758. The centre is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.- feel free to drop by.

Learn how to create a winning resume: Monday January 18th or Monday February 1st at 12:30 p.m. Pre-register at the Student Employment Centre, Room 136, Campus Services Building. $3.00 fee includes the workshop materials.

UVIC'S SPRING '93 EXTENSION CALENDAR is available at libraries and recreation centres throughout Victoria. Registration begins Jan. 4. Register early to avoid disappointment.

FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION is pleased to offer a wide selection of courses and workshops for all ages at very reasonable cost. Registration for the upcoming season is now underway. Call 382-4604 for more information.

TELEPHONE BOOKS will be collected from Jan. 1 to May 31. Collection will take place at the Plaza Recycling Depots, The Municipal Recycling Depots, the Mobile Recycling Depots and the Hartland Avenue Landfill Recycling Area. For the location nearest you, call the CRD Hotline at 360-3030.

SHARED SIGN GROUP - meet with beginners and experts to learn American sign language, Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in the boardroom of McDonald's on Douglas, and Saturdays 1 p.m. in Clearihue A118. For more info call 598-8717.

ARE YOU AN EXTROVERT? Volunteer with the Community Police Station program! Spend four hours per week to help make your community a better place. For more info call 381-1322.

ECOLOGICAL HEALTH ALLIANCE is attempting to discover how many people in our area are affected by chemicals in our environment. If traffic exhaust, perfume, cleansers, tobacco smoke or other chemicals make you sick, pick up a survey at the SUB.

SKIING instruction is provided for visually impaired, hearing impaired, amputees, mentally handicapped, paraplegics and most other disabilities, providing they allow some mobility. Dates and time are arranged to suit your schedule. For more info call 334-3868.

SLIDE PHOTOGRAPHERS - field trips, viewing, speakers. Club meetings the 2and and 4th Tuesdays of each month. 7:30 p.m. at Central Junior Secondary school, room 105-1280 Fort Street. Colour film study group 385-1640.

BEAVER TOASTMASTERS - learn to speak comfortably and effectively in front of groups. Meets every Monday at the Coachman Inn, 6 p.m. Call 727-0086 or 479-8023 for info.

CAFE MERENGUE is back - come enjoy Latin and Caribbean music, and practice your Spanish. Held every second Friday; proceeds go to the Victoria Immigrant Centre. Now at Hermann's Ballroom Tap, 753 View St. Call 361-1661 for info.

BIG BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS are needed. The next information night is Oct. 29 at 7 p.m., at 103-3347 Oak Street. For more information call 383-1191.

B.C. SCHIZOPHRENIA SOCIETY is a non-profit agency funded by United Way. We offer library and educational material, and support and peer counselling to anybody whose lives are touched by schizophrenia. Office hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. every week at 941 Kings Road.

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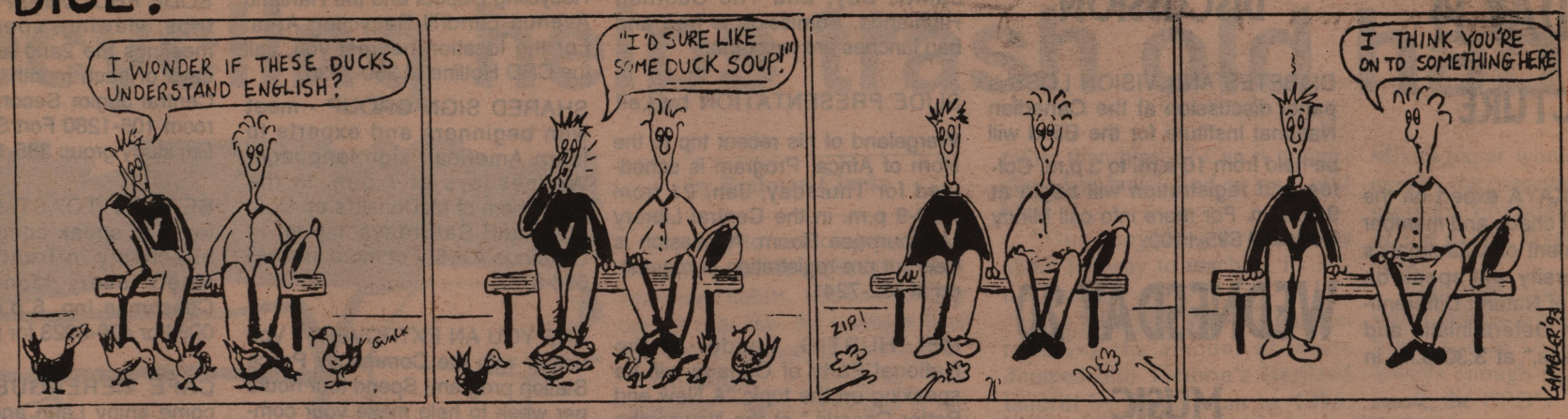

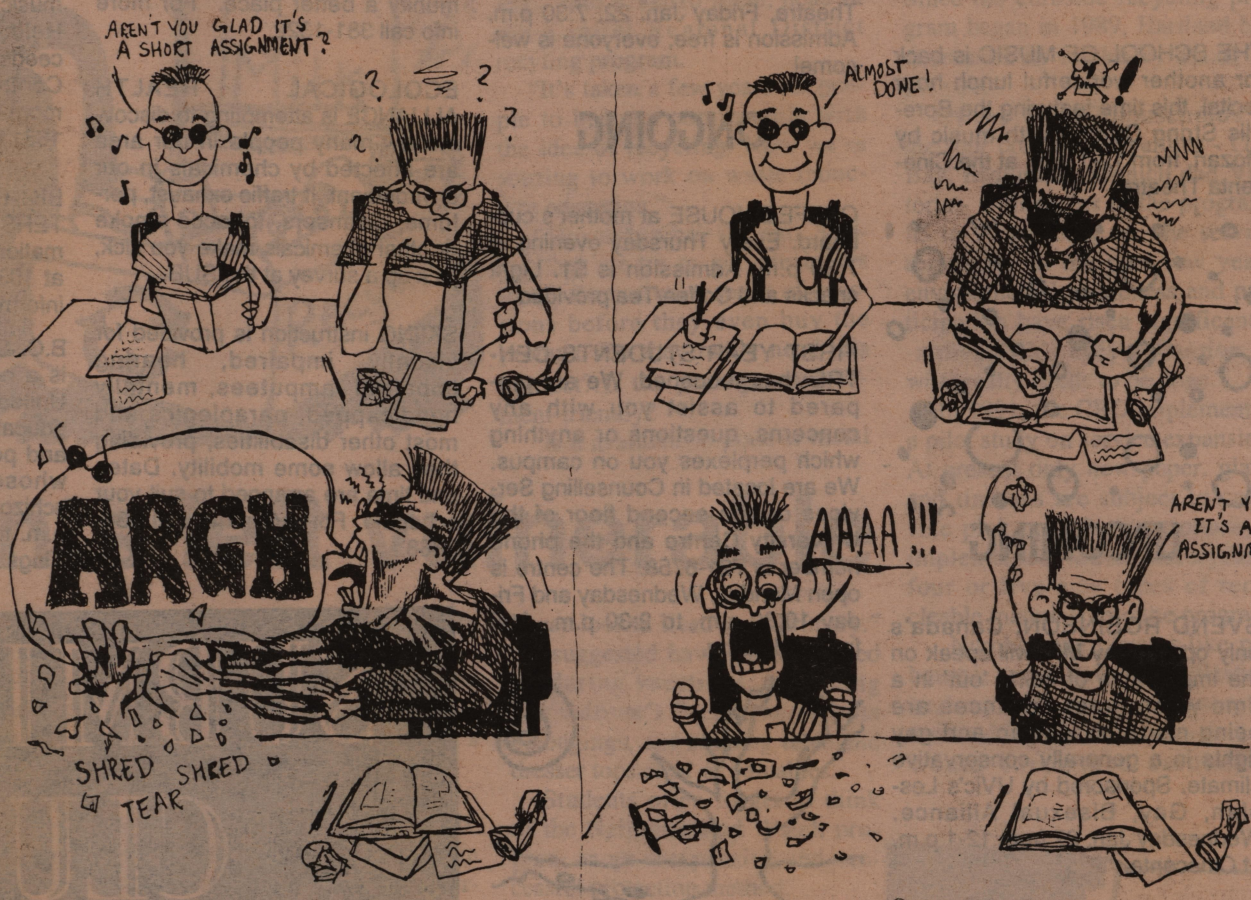

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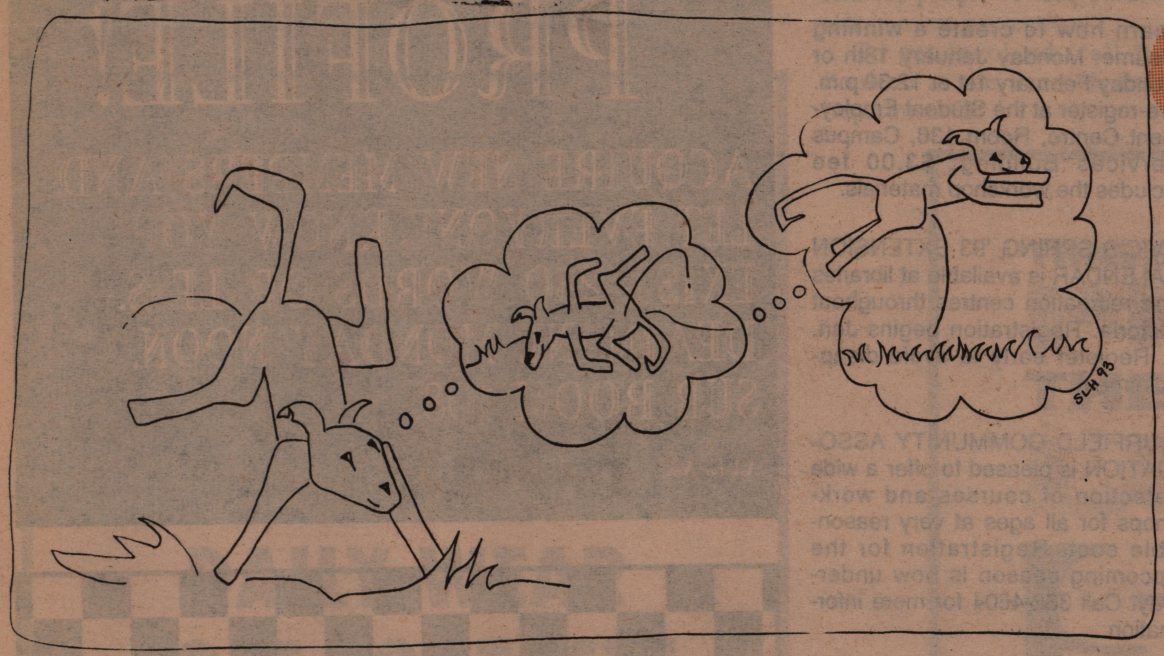

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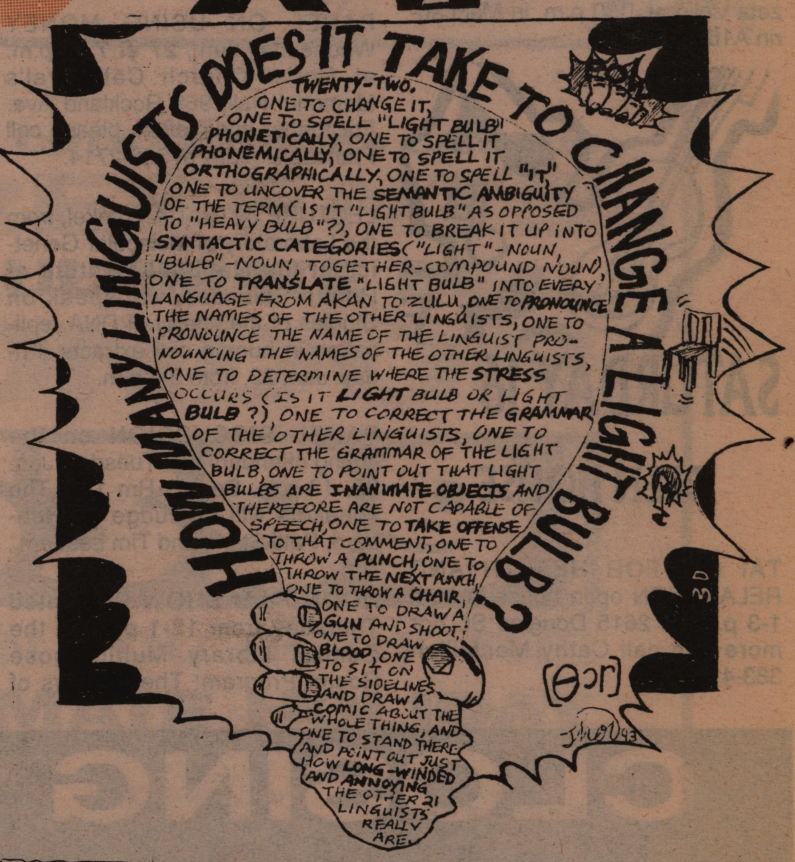
HOW MANY LINGUISTS DOES IT TAKE TO CHANGE A LIGHT BULB?
TWENTY-TWO.
ONE TO CHANGE IT,
ONE TO SPELL "LIGHT BULB" PHONETICALLY, ONE TO SPELL IT PHONEMICALLY, ONE TO SPELL IT ORTHOGRAPHICALLY, ONE TO SPELL "IT"
ONE TO UNCOVER THE SEMANTIC AMBIGUITY OF THE TERM (IS IT "LIGHT BULB" AS OPPOSED TO "HEAVY BULB"?), ONE TO BREAK IT UP INTO SYNTACTIC CATEGORIES ("LIGHT"-NOUN, "BULB"-NOUN, TOGETHER-COMPOUND NOUN),
ONE TO TRANSLATE "LIGHT BULB" INTO EVERY LANGUAGE FROM AKAN TO ZULU, ONE TO PRONOUNCE THE NAMES OF THE OTHER LINGUISTS, ONE TO PRONOUNCE THE NAME OF THE LINGUIST PRONOUNCING THE NAMES OF THE OTHER LINGUISTS,
ONE TO DETERMINE WHERE THE STRESS OCCURS (IS IT LIGHT BULB OR LIGHT BULB?), ONE TO CORRECT THE GRAMMAR OF THE OTHER LINGUISTS, ONE TO CORRECT THE GRAMMAR OF THE LIGHT BULB, ONE TO POINT OUT THAT LIGHT BULBS ARE INANIMATE OBJECTS AND THEREFORE ARE NOT CAPABLE OF SPEECH, ONE TO TAKE OFFENSE TO THAT COMMENT, ONE TO THROW A PUNCH, ONE TO THROW THE NEXT PUNCH, ONE TO THROW A CHAIR,
ONE TO DRAW A GUN AND SHOOT, ONE TO DRAW BLOOD, ONE TO SIT ON THE SIDELINES AND DRAW A COMIC ABOUT THE WHOLE THING, AND ONE TO STAND THERE AND POINT OUT JUST HOW LONG-WINDED AND ANNOYING THE OTHER 21 LINGUISTS REALLY ARE.
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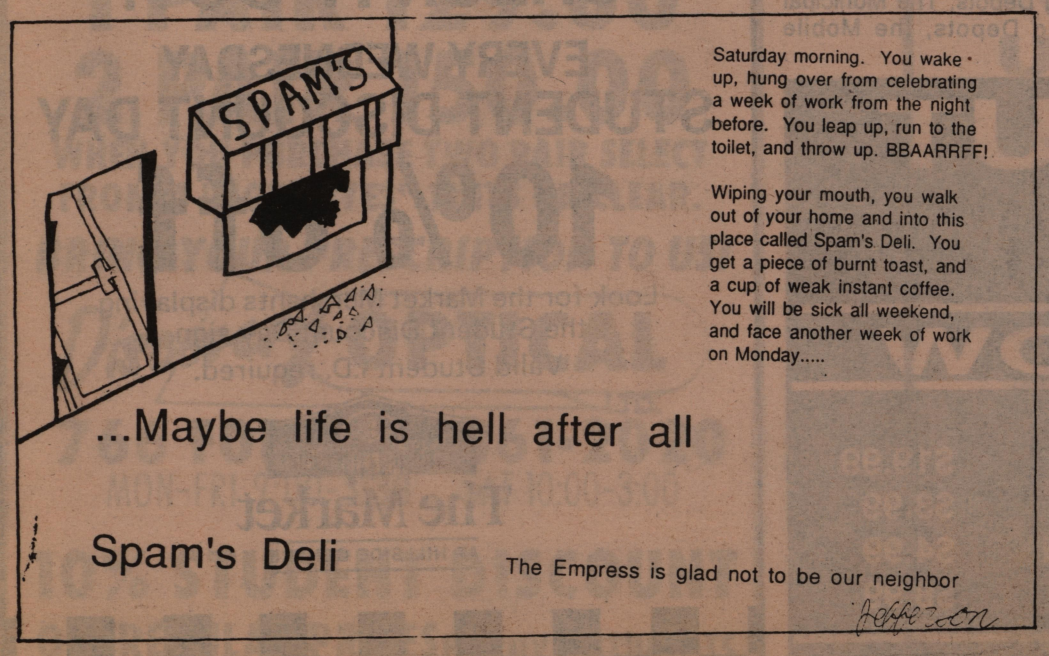
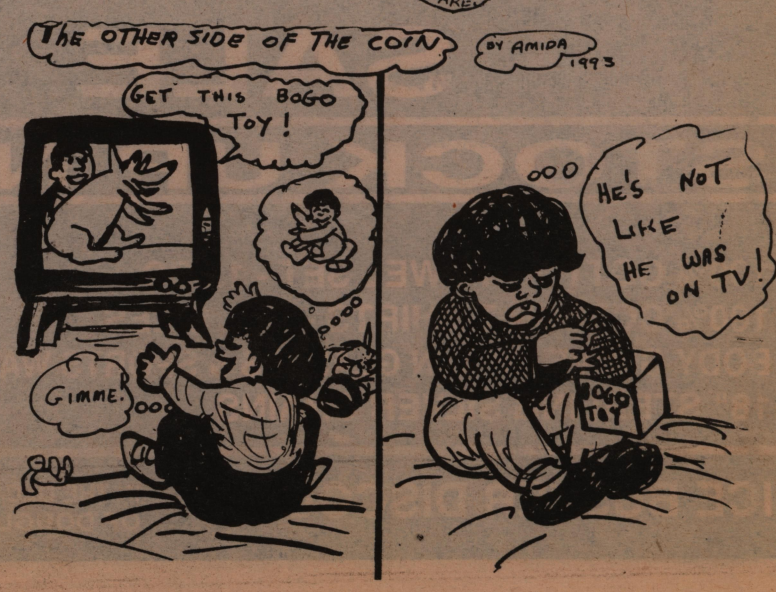


Saturday morning. You wake up, hung over from celebrating a week of work from the night before. You leap up, run to the toilet, and throw up. BBAARRFF!

Wiping your mouth, you walk out of your home and into this place called Spam's Deli. You get a piece of burnt toast, and a cup of weak instant coffee. You will be sick all weekend, and face another week of work on Monday.....

...Maybe life is hell after all

Spam's Deli

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